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## KLONDIKE'S PETITION

### Three Men Sent to Ottawa to Protest Against Severe Laws.

### NO DANGER OF STARVATION

**The Consensus of Opinion Among Returning Miners Is that There Will Be Supplies Enough to Last Through the Winter.**

Dawson City, N. W. T., Nov. 25, via Seattle, Wash., Dec. 30.—The miners here have commissioned three men to go immediately to Ottawa and present a petition to the Canadian authorities reciting the reasons why the new mining laws are unjustly severe.

The petition is the result of several conferences of committees composed of the most intelligent citizens and aliens of the Klondike.

**What Returning Miners Say.**

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 30.—E. Barrington, one of the passengers on the steamer Alki, speaking of the situation in the Klondike, said:

"There is no need of any one worrying over their friends' starving. Of course, provisions are not plentiful, and supplies should be taken in in the Spring, after which time all the provisions in the country will be exhausted."

Speaking of the rush to file claims, Mr. Barrington said: "For some time before I left the Commissioner's office was unable to accommodate the miners, and the men stood in line for days, with the mercury 40 degrees below zero, in order to file claims. The biggest sensation in the way of a strike was No. 43, on Hunker. It paid $45 to the pan. If it had not been for the exodus to Fort Yukon, 100 claims would have been worked on Bonanza, Eldorado and Hunker creeks this Winter."

**Living in Tents.**

S. W. Foote said a great many people went past Dawson City in boats with the floating ice, unable to make a landing. Many people are living in tents at Dawson, though the temperature is away below zero. Good strikes have been made on Lucky Creek, a tributary of All Gold. Sulphur Creek is also turning out well.

"On the way out we encountered good weather nearly all the time," said Foote. "We left Dawson Nov. 21. Part of the way we threw off our coats and went in shirt sleeves and bare hands. It was only 15 below zero then. At the Chilkoot summit we encountered a fearful snow storm and were lost for a time. It lasted all the way from the head of Linderman to the summit. One man went ahead with a stick, poking it in the snow, to find the hard path to walk on. Beef and mutton at Dawson is being sold at $1 to $1.50 per sack, while bacon and beans brought $1 to $1.25 per pound. There was plenty of sugar at 30 cents per pound. The claims are all taken within a radius of forty-five to fifty miles of Dawson."

J. D. Barnes stated that the Alaska Commercial Company and the North American Transportation and Trading Company have declined to receive any more gold for safe-keeping, as their safes are full. T. H. Mallory believes that the output next season will be between $15,000,000 and $20,000,000.

**No Starvation.**

Edward Conrad, when asked if there is danger of starvation at Dawson, replied emphatically: "No, sir. There is not a surplus of food, but there will be no starvation." When asked for an opinion on the Government expedition, he said: "It is a humbug, and I doubt if it can get to Dawson before the ice breaks. The men who came out and say that starvation lurks there are the men who were there only a few weeks, got discouraged, homesick, and cry starvation as an excuse for coming out."

On Nov. 20 the English church, known as "The Klondike," was destroyed by fire. Two or three adjoining cabins were also burned.

**To Assist Maj. Rucker.**

Vancouver Barracks, Wash., Dec. 30.—Eleven packers with sixty-nine mules in charge of Lieut. Ryan, of Fort Robinson, have arrived from Chicago. The party will proceed to Dyea on the next steamer to assist Maj. L. H. Rucker in selecting a route for the Government relief expedition.

### HAS NO BROKEN HEART.

**Booth-Tucker Says Mrs. Ballington Booth Is Working in the Hospital.**

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Commander Booth-Tucker, of the Salvation Army, who arrived in Chicago Tuesday night, says that Mrs. Ballington Booth is now doing from three to eight hours' work a day from her bed in the hospital, and that her condition never has been serious. The bulletins which announced her as dying of a broken heart, he says, are in Ballington Booth's handwriting, and the physicians in charge have been instructed not to talk.

Mr. Booth-Tucker pronounced the whole story of the cause of Mrs. Booth's illness an attempt on the part of Ballington Booth to stir up a breeze against the Salvation Army. He had investigated the story of the insult said to have been offered Mrs. Booth at the Willard Hall meeting in Chicago, and had found it to be entirely false.

**Mrs. Booth Much Better.**

New York, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Ballington Booth is now steadily improving at the Presbyterian Hospital. She is making slow progress, but it is sure, though it will be a long time before she will be able to leave the hospital.

### FITZ SAYS HE WILL FIGHT.

**Agrees to Take On Both Corbett and McCoy Upon Certain Conditions.**

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Martin Julian, on behalf of Bob Fitzsimmons, has announced that the champion, in deference to the wishes of the public, will meet both Jim Corbett and Kid McCoy, but upon certain conditions, named by him, only. In the first place, any fight must be for at least $10,000 a side and the largest purse offered. As to McCoy, he must meet Choynski before he is taken on by Fitz. As to Corbett, he must show his sincerity by first defeating some good man. Sharkey, Maher or Choynski will do.

Julian says that Fitzsimmons' determination never to enter the ring again was sincere. That before his fight he made his wife a promise to that effect. He says, further, that both he and Fitz have been for weeks trying to persuade Mrs. Fitzsimmons to withdraw her opposition, but that they have only now succeeded. The main reason that Fitz makes the condition that Corbett fight some good man first is that he does not think Jim is sincere in his desire to meet Fitz again. Julian says it took Fitz five years to drag him into the ring last time, and they propose to have some assurance of his sincerity before the champion takes him on.

**Corbett Ready to Sign.**

New York, Dec. 30.—William A. Brady, Corbett's manager, discussed the condition imposed by Fitz at length. He reiterated what he had said so often, that the only man Corbett will meet is Bob Fitzsimmons.

"Corbett will never fight Maher, Sharkey or Choynski," said Brady, decidedly. The only pugilist he will agree to make a match with is Fitzsimmons. Jim lost the fight with the Australian at Carson City through carelessnes. As it was, he had all the better of it up to the time he was knocked out.

"Corbett is thoroughly in earnest about another contest with Fitz, and he will sign articles any time the Australian names. If he thinks Corbett is bluffing, I will post $2,500 with Dan Stuart, George Siler or Louis Houseman as a forfeit for a match."

**McCoy Accepts Conditions.**

New York, Dec. 30.—Kid McCoy was in great spirits when he heard of the announcement that Fitz would take him on. He at once telegraphed to his brother Homer to make the match and put up a certified check for $1,000 to bind it. He said that he was perfectly willing to meet any one in his class whom Fitz named, but would prefer meeting the champion first.

### THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

**Contractors to Investigate Preliminary to Making a Bid.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—A party of fourteen gentlemen, representing a number of prominent contractors, will sail to-day from New York on the steamer Finance for Nicaragua. They will make a personal investigation of the surveys of the Nicaragua Canal, not as representatives of the canal company, but simply as business men. Their purpose is to thoroughly study the canal, and if they are favorably impressed they will on their return make the canal company an offer to dig and build the canal for a certain sum.

They will further agree to complete the canal, so that the naval force of the United States can pass through it before they demand one cent of payment. The gentlemen of this party favor the Menocal survey, but are open to conviction as to the others. They represent, among other contractors, those who are now completing the Chicago Canal, and also the firm which built the Russian canal from St. Petersburg to Kronstadt.

They cannot make their proposition to the government, but will do so to the canal company, who, they expect, will in time lay it before the Washington authorities.

### FREAK A LA DARWIN.

**Remarkable Specimen of Humanity Received in a St. Louis Hospital.**

St. Louis, Dec. 30.—W. L. Brebracht, a remarkable freak received at the City Hospital, is regarded as a striking proof of the Darwinian theory. Brebracht was born with seven fingers on the right hand, six on the left, and only two toes on each foot. Closer examination showed that the patient had cleft hands and cleft feet. His spinal column is bent in a manner unlike anything ever seen in a human being. The curvature closely resembles that of a horse. The shoulders are also shaped like those of a quadruped, and indicate a much greater adaptation to physical endurance than is possessed by the average human shoulder.

Brebracht does not object to examination, and answers all questions cheerfully. He has inherited from his mother and her ancestors, he says, these striking evidences of man's ascent from a lower order of being.

**$2,000,000 to a Hospital.**

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—By the will of Mrs. Henrietta R. Fales Baker $2,000,000 is bequeathed to the Pennsylvania Hospital. The will was probated yesterday, and the bequest is made contingent upon the death of the son and daughter of the testatrix without issue. The estate is estimated at over $2,000,000.

**Showman Hager Dead.**

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 30.—W. D. Hager, one of the best known showmen in the country, died at Wauseon yesterday from cancer of the stomach. For the last fifteen years he has been one of the managers of the Barnum & Bailey show. He recently contracted to manage Buffalo Bill next season.

## SEIZED PART OF CHINA

### French Flag Raised on the Hai-Nan Island.

### BIG FLEET TO BACK IT UP

**British to Use Canadian Pacific Ships—May Send More Troops—Bismarck Anxious for German Eastern Policy to Succeed.**

Shanghai, Dec. 30.—It is reported here that the Admiral of the French fleet has hoisted the French flag on Hai-Nan Island, which is between the China Sea and the Gulf of Tonquin. The Chinese offered no opposition.

London, Dec. 30.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Singapore confirms the report of the seizure of Hai-Nan Island by the French.

According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, the British Admiralty has requisitioned three of the Empress steamships, belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—The Tageblatt says Prince Henry of Prussia will visit the Mikado and the King of Corea.

Its Kiel correspondent says a further force of marines will start for China in January.

According to the Nueste Nachricten, of Leipsic, Prince Bismarck disclaims all responsibility for Germany's policy in China; but he approves it and wishes it executed with energy on the assumption that it implies an entente with Russia.

Hai-Nan Island is off the south coast of China, and separates the Gulf of Tonquin from the China Sea. It has an estimated area of 12,000 square miles and a population of 1,000,000 Chinese, exclusive of wild tribes in the interior. Some of the mountains in the centre rise above the snow line. It has several large rivers. The coasts are generally rocky, but the west coast is low and the south coast has some good harbors. Timber is a principal product. This is sent to Annam, Siam and Singapore. Other exports are rice, sugar, wax, pearls, coral, salt and a little gold and silver. Its capital is Kiong-Choo, a populous city on its north coast.

### CHINA IN NO DANGER.

**Japanese Diplomat Says the Powers Do Not Threaten Her.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—The rapid movement of events in the far East continues to be an absorbing topic in diplomatic circles. There is no further talk of the United States as a possible factor in the contest, as the recent understanding at a Cabinet meeting is accepted as removing this government from the field of controversy.

At the same time an eminent authority on international affairs said that a situation might develop when the United States would be called upon to go much further than protect American interests at the treaty ports in China. This situation would come, he said, if the scramble for Chinese territory went to the extent of the extinction of China and the complete absorption of the old empire by foreign nations.

A leading Japanese diplomat said: "No event has occurred thus far to indicate that China is about to be divided among the powers. The only tangible fact is that Germany has occupied Kiao Chou Bay and Russia has a fleet at Port Arthur. But Germany's action was taken to collect an indemnity for an indignity to German missionaries, just as she enforced indemnity from Hayti. Beyond this, Germany may seek to establish a naval station at Kiao Chou, and thus have a naval base of operations on the Pacific. But that does not involve the taking of any considerable portion of Chinese territory, and it is yet to be shown that Germany will take more than a coast port and such land immediately adjacent as to give the port proper facilities.

"If it comes to taking territory, the course of China must not be overlooked. While China is weak from a military and naval standpoint, yet she has an enormous number of men ready to take the field, while the entire force of Germans at Kiao Chou cannot exceed a few thousand men. Even a weak nation is strong in defending its own territory. There are reports that Japan would aid China in an extremity, but there is nothing in that. Japan, doubtless, will act alone, if there is any reason for acting at all. Thus far, however, I know of no steps that Japan has taken, or contemplates, towards taking part in the controversy. My impression is that she will remain an independent and neutral observer. Her position will be much stronger by such a policy than it would be by an alliance at the outset. As an observer, if she sees that the partition of China is at hand, doubtless she would have some part to take, but for the present there is no evidence that such an emergency is near."

A Chinese diplomat said: "The alleged official statements coming from the Chinese Legation have been unwarranted, as the Legation has not received a word from Pekin since the first notice was sent that a German force had landed at Kiao Chou, without previous notice to the Chinese Government. It is felt, however, that many of the reports as to the seriousness of the situation, particularly those from Shanghai, are overdrawn. Judging from the press dispatches, there appears to be little doubt that the original purpose of Germany to enforce an indemnity has now developed into securing a naval station at Kiao Chou, and possibly more teritory, on the ground that Germany is entitled to a return for her service during the China-Japan war. But it appears to be overlooked that Germany has received distinct returns for those services in the granting of large concessions, which, at the time of the grant, were considered as most valuable to Germany.

"As to the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, that is not a surprise. A Russian fleet was Wintered at a Chinese port last year, with the consent of China, as it involved no sacrifice of territory. What the outcome will be it is difficult to say, but it is felt that an amicable settlement will be made, possibly by the granting of coast stations, but without any serious dismemberment of territory."

### SOCIETY ORGANIZED FOR MURDER

**Arrest of Nine Foreign Miners at Pottsville Discloses Its Existence.**

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 30.—Nine foreigners were arrested here yesterday for wrecking a saloon. The proprietor of the saloon, also a foreigner, was ordered by them to leave the place and refused to do so. His place was then smashed to pieces. At the hearing he appeared, revolver in hand, and a friend accompanied him with a shotgun. The accused men were held in bail for trial.

The arrest of these men has brought to light the existence of an organized band of foreigners for the purpose of self-protection and the punishment of enemies. One branch at New Philadelphia, a mining village, has twenty-nine members. Nearly all the members are foreign laborers. Weekly dues are paid in for a defense fund. The society has signs, grips and passwords.

Residents of Silver Creek and the neighborhood are terrified. They fear to make any move against the organization, but the police are quietly getting evidence against it. It is known that these men have sworn to take the lives of a constable, an attorney and a well-known citizen of New Philadelphia. This has been sufficient to make the whole population afraid.

### COAL MINERS ON STRIKE.

**Honey Brook Men Go Out Again. Trouble Is Feared.**

Hazleton, Pa., Dec. 30.—Trouble has again developed in the Honey Brook district of the Lehigh & Wilkesbarre Coal Company, and yesterday morning 2,000 men were thrown out of employment because 500 stripping employes at work on the surface went on a strike. Twenty-five men were reported absent on Monday, and Superintendent Jones, to discipline them, sent them home Tuesday. The union men took a hand in the matter and made a demand upon the superintendent for their reinstatement.

This was refused, whereupon the stripping hands left mine No. 4 yesterday morning, and, proceeding to No. 5, induced the men there to follow. The other hands were thus forced to quit. It was Superintendent Jones who refused to grant any concessions when the last great strike was precipitated. Unless some concessions are made this time it is feared that serious trouble will follow.

**Bank Officials Arrested.**

El Reno, Oklahoma, Dec. 30.—Gustav Thelan, president of the tock Exchange Bank; Michael Eichoff, cashier; Charles A. Newman, assistant cashier, and Louis Eichoff, a member of the Board of Directors, have been arrested on the charge of receiving deposits when the bank was known to be insolvent. A big meeting of the stockholders was held at which great excitement was manifested, and several of the speakers declared that they were ready to lead a lynching party. The bank had $66,000 in deposits when it went under, but will probably not pay more than 25 cents on the dollar.

**Gen. Harrison for the Senate.**

Indianapolis, Dec. 30.—General Harrison was spoken of yesterday as the delegates to the Republican conference were leaving the city as a possible candidate for United States Senator. According to reports of Representatives from the rural districts of the State, farmers will ask their Representatives to the next Legislature to urge General Harrison as a candidate.

**France Takes Action.**

Paris, Dec. 30.—The Figaro says the Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. Hanotaux, will convene an international conference without delay for the neutralization of the Newfoundland Banks during the fishing season.

### NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Countess de Castellane, nee Gould, gave birth to a boy, her second son.

The operatives at Fall River decided against a strike because of the wage reduction.

Gov. Adams, of Colorado, has refused to honor Gov. Black's requisition for William H. Griffith, of Leadville, Col.

The president of the Lake Shore Railroad said that business men use the long-distance telephone more and trains less.

The Turkish Government is explaining that the firing upon Greek ships by the forts at Prevesa was due to a mistake.

Heirs of Robert Morris, who, they claim, lent $1,500,000 to the Colonial Government, have demanded from the Government payment, with interest.

The San Francisco authorities have decided to bring to trial all parties accused of murder who have been adjudged insane and have afterward recovered.

George R. Hodgedon, proprietor of the Tremont Hotel, in New Haven, has been arrested, charged with being an accessory to Frederick Cook in attempting to set fire to the Tontine Hotel in that city.


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### FIRE AND EARTHQUAKE.

**Hayti Gets Both the Same Night, and 3,000 Persons Are Homeless.**

Port au Prince, Hayti, Dec. 30.—At 11 o'clock Tuesday night a fire, which assumed considerable proportions on account of lack of water to supply the pumps, broke out and destroyed 800 houses, including a number of warehouses, a hotel, the Church of St. Joseph and its parsonage. About 3,000 persons were rendered homeless.

Yesterday morning at 6.40 o'clock there was an earthquake, the disturbances running from north to south, lasting half a minute, and causing slight cracks in the earth. There were no accidents, but the population was greatly alarmed.

**Finally Forced to Close.**

Brunswick, Ga., Dec. 30.—The Merchants and Traders' Bank of this city failed to open its doors yesterday morning. The capital stock of the bank is $100,000. Some months ago there was a plan to put the bank in the hands of a receiver, and ever since the depositors have been withdrawing, and the bank has been losing outside business to such an extent that it was finally determined to close.

**Missing Minister a Wanderer.**

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—The missing preacher, the Rev. Samuel Spurrier, is believed to be wandering towards Canada. It is said he stopped with M. W. Saltzmon, in West Pittston, last Friday night, said he was going to Canada, and left the next morning.

### TRIED TO KILL THREE PERSONS.

**Then the Angry Boarder Took His Own Life**

Camden, N. J., Dec. 30.—Eaton Johnson, 22 years old, last night attempted to murder Earnest Fellows, Mrs. Fellows and their son Frank, 13 years old, by shooting them at their home, No. 226 Erie street. He dangerously wounded Fellows and inflicted a slight wound in the boy's thigh and a flesh wound in Mrs. Fellows. Johnson then shot himself, dying instantly.

Johnson, who was a ship carpenter, came here from Richmond, Va., about five months ago, and boarded with the Fellows family, to whom he was related. He fell in arrears for his board, and last night, it is said, was ordered from the house.

Last night when the family was at supper he came for his trunk, but was told he could not have it until he paid his back board, amounting to $7.50. Then he drew his pistol and fired at Fellows, the ball taking effect in the neck, close to the spinal column. Mrs. Fellows ran screaming into the yard. Johnson followed and fired, the shot glancing along her side. He next turned on the boy, who was calling for help, and shot him in the thigh. After firing another shot at Fellows, which went wide, he killed himself. Johnson was formerly employed at Dialogue's ship yards. He was unmarried.

**Big Legal Battle.**

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 30.—Within a few days one of the greatest legal battles ever fought in this city will commence before the Court of Common Pleas. The case is that of the City of Cleveland against the Lake Shore, Big Four, Pennsylvania and Cleveland & Pittsburg railroad companies, and involves the title to millions of dollars' worth of property on the lake front.

The railroad tracks originally ran along close to the water's edge, but for years the companies have been filling in the lake until large tracts of land have been created. This ground is now claimed by the city. A brilliant array of legal talent has been employed on both sides, and the contest will be watched with great interest.

**To Cruise Around the World.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—The warship Mohican, which has been thoroughly overhauled at the Mare Island Navy Yard, has been turned over to the training service and will be put in commission about Jan. 10 under the command of Commander Book, lately the Captain of the Marion. Most of the officers on the latter ship will be transferred to the Mohican. This ship is to recruit about 150 apprentice boys on the Pacific Coast, and probably will start with them about the middle of January on a cruise around the world. According to present plans, some time will be spent among the South Sea Islands, where the American Navy has not been represented to any extent since 1883.

**Blanco's Home-Rule Decree.**

Havana, Dec. 30.—Capt.-Gen. Blanco has issued a decree announcing the lines upon which the home-rule government is established. The Governor-General and executive assume charge of foreign affairs, war and the navy, and, with five autonomical secretaries of supreme justice and interior (Finance, Public Instruction, Public Works, Posts and Telegraphs, and Agriculture and Commerce), with the President of this council, constitute the responsible government.

The new officials will take the oath of office at 9 a. m. on Jan. 1, and will immediately assume charge of their departments.

**President Invited to New York.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—Yesterday afternoon a delegation consisting of Warner Miller, William Brookfield, Charles G. Moore, ex-Mayor Schieren, of Brooklyn; Benjamin Ash, of Newark, and Secretary Locke, representing the National Association of Manufacturers, called upon the President and invited him to attend the annual banquet to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, on Jan. 27, at the close of the convention of the association. The President said he would take the invitation under consideration. The members of the committee think, from their interview, that he will attend the banquet.

## TOLD OF BUCK KILGORE.

**His Jumping Match with a Texas Woman in War Times.**

There are men in every quarter of the Union who will regret to hear of the death of Judge Constantine B. Kilgore at Ardmore, I. T. For eight years "Buck" Kilgore was a notable man in Washington. In person he was the typical Texan. Above six feet tall, above sixteen stone in weight, above the average Congressman in ability, above the average man in sincerity, straight as an Indian, and strong as an ox, "Buck" Kilgore was a marked man whereever he appeared. It was the kicking down of the door leading from the legislative chamber to the House lobby that gave him notoriety. It was characteristic of the man. He wanted to go into the lobby; the messenger shut the door in his face. He knew he had a right to go into the lobby without asking the consent of Tom Reed or any other man. He raised his foot, clothed in an enormous cowhide boot and kicked the door down and went his way. The notoriety that attached to him on account of the act was always distasteful to him.

During the war he was ordered home to assist in gathering up some deserters. One evening about dusk he was out in the country in quest of a deserter who had been off the "layout" for a year. He was very hungry and very weary. He called at a house by the roadside and there he found a woman just taking from the spit a nicely broiled chicken. The savor of the fowl made him ravenous. He had a Mexican dollar in his pocket, which he had carried for years and to which he was much attached, but he was bound to have that chicken and he pulled out the dollar and proposed a trade—the coin for the fowl. The lady said the chicken was for a sick friend and that she could not sell it.

"But," she continued, "I'll jump you for it."

"What do you mean?" said "Buck."

"I mean that we will see which can jump furthest from this doorsill out into the yard, and the one of us that beats shall have both chicken and dollar."

"All right; that suits me exactly," said "Buck." The dollar was placed on the dish beside the chicken and his gun was leaned against the wall by the door, and "Buck" slung his arms and made a temendous leap of over twelve feet. He recovered with difficulty, and when he turned to the door there was the lady with his cocked gun in her hands, with the butt against her shoulder and her finger on the trigger.

"Now, you just flirt the gravel down that road, young man, or I'll make buzzard's food of you before hell can singe a knat," she ordered.

There was shoot in her eyes and "buck and ball" in the gun.. So "Buck" "flirted the gravel," his bosom swollen with impotent rage and his mouth overflowing with eloquent profanity.

By this time it was dark. Over in a field "Buck" spied a gin house. He went to it and climbed in to the loft, laid down on the floor and was soon fast asleep. After a time he was awakened by voices down below. He listened and made the discovery that one was a female voice, and a moment later he realized that she was relating the "jumping" episode to her companion, who gave vent to peal after peal of laughter. There was the chicken and his dollar which he could see by the light of the tallow dip. Peering about he saw his gun also. There was a big hole in the floor of the loft, and just as the man took hold of the dish to eat the chicken "Buck" plunged through the hole and seized the gun. Before they recovered from their astonishment "Buck" roared out: "Madam, you just flirt the gravel back home, and as for this gentleman he and I will flirt gravel to the office of the Provost Marshal. He is the deserter I have been after for a week."

There was shot in "Buck's" eye now. The woman left. "Buck" recovered his dollar, ate the chicken, and before midnight surrendered his prisoner to the Provost Marshal. It was worth a journey across the continent to hear "Buck tell the story.—From the Courier-Journal.

## JEWS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

**Steps to Be Taken for Their Better Treatment by the President.**

The Transvaal is one of the few countries with pretensions to considération as civilized Powers that debar Jews from all participation in the legislative and municipal government. Moreover they are disqualified from filling any public office to which a salary is attached, while their schools are the only ones which receive no subsidy from the State. It is largely due to this that the efforts of the Boer Secretary of State, Dr. Leyds, to secure support at Paris and Berlin against the British Government have met with such signal failure, the immensely powerful influence of the Rothschilds and of the other great Jewish financiers who control the money markets of Europe being exercised against the Transvaal. It is to secure legislation removing all the disabilities under which the Jews now labor in the Boer Republic.

"We have parted forever," said the young man, sadly. "She is never going to even write to me again."

"Are you sure of that?" asked his sympathetic friend.

"Yes. She told me so in each of her last three letters."—Washington Evening Star.

"What is unconventional, Uncle Jim?"

"Unconventional? Well, it is being too good natured to get vexed with people who haven't any manners."—Detroit Free Press.

## JACK WAS ALL RIGHT.

**But the Old Man Thought Him Incorrigible and Sought to Reform Him.**

"Tom," began one old merchant to another as they were taking a fifteencent lunch together, "I feel as though I could talk to you, for we have been friends ever since we were boys, and I must talk with some one."

"What is it, Jim?"

"That son of mine. He's kind to me, says he's always ready to help me when there's a chance and tells me the truth, no matter what he has done. But nothing that I can say with a view to reforming his habits seems to make any impression. I'll just give you an example. The other evening I said to him that I had seen him coming out of a saloon and asked him if he wasn't ashamed of himself.

"'I really think,' the rascal answered, 'that it looks better to come out than it does to go in.'

"'You shouldn't have gone in,' I snapped.

"'But I was in and it was better to come out when I did then two or three hours later.' Then he laughed and told me not to worry."

"And I think you had better follow his advice. Jack doesn't drink. I have that from the boys that train with him. And between me and you, old man, I have an idea he was looking you up. It is whispered about in a good many places that a few of us respectable fodgers sneak in the back way and have a quiet game in that back room. It sounds a good deal worse than it is, and I guess that Jack must be troubled about you. We'd better shift our quarters so as to throw him off the scent."

"My shift will be to never play another game of poker, and I'll tell Jack so before I sleep. He's the best boy in town."—Detroit Free Press.

## HANDEL AND KING GEORGE I.

**The Composer Offended His Majesty but Restored to Favor by His Music.**

Handel once offended George I so seriously that he was afraid to approach the court, but through the friendly interposition of Baron Kilmansegge, who was high in favor, he was restored to favor in the following manner:

Soon after his arrival in England the King was persuaded to make a short excursion on the water. Handel was informed of this intention, and, upon the advice of his friend, he composed some pieces expressly for the occasion, and secretly conducted their performance in a boat that accompanied the royal barge. His Majesty, upon hearing these compositions, which have since become famous under the title of the "Water Music," was so surprised and pleased by their excellence that he immediately demanded the name of the author. The baron, who was on hand for that purpose, told the King that they were the work of a faithful servant of his Majesty, who, conscious of the cause of the displeasure which he had given, durst not assume to approach the royal presence until he could be assured that by every demonstration of gratitude and duty in the future he might hope to secure a pardon. This intercession was accepted, and Handel was immediately restored to favor. His compositions were honored with the most flattering marks of royal approbation, and the King immediately gave him a pension of £200 a year, in addition to that which had previously been conferred upon him by Queen Anne.—Harper's Round Table.

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## Madman's Fight for Life.

**Fled From His Barricaded House in a Shower of Lead.**

Steve Spellen, who Thursday night deliberately shot and killed Mike Raber, while the two men were in friendly conversation, at Spellen's home, at Dubois, Pa., was taken into custody Friday morning after a terrible struggle for freedom, in which he used a pistol with telling effect on himself and his captors.

After the murder of Raber Spellen barricaded himself in his house and defied the police, who surrounded the house soon after the tragedy occurred. After the officers found threats and entreaty useless, Chief of Police Blair, at the peril of his life, forced an entrance to the house and commanded Spellen to surrender. The murderer replied with a bullet, which grazed the officer's body, and then retreated to his room. Locking the door, in order to delay pursuit by Chief Blair, Spellen climbed out of a window to the roof of an outhouse. Here he was confronted by a cordon of officers, whom he sought to disperse with bullets from his pistol. The effect was to provoke a volley from the officers. The shower of lead drove Spellen from his perch, and, dropping to the ground, he ran, shooting at his pursuers, to a deep shaft, at the water works, 250 yards away.

Bullets and shot whistled about the fleeing murderer's ears as he ran, but none of them took effect. Sliding down the shaft and hiding behind a projection, where he was securely entrenched from the weapons of the officers, he laughed at and taunted them and dared them to come down and take him. Bent on taking Spellen alive and fully aware of the risk they would incur in descending the shaft, the posse had recourse to water for dislodging the fugitive and by turning a hose stream on him forced him to ascend the shaft.

As the drenched man neared the surface he was met by Deputy T. E. Casey. Determined to die rather than be captured and resolved not to die alone, Spellen fired a bullet into his breast and resumed shooting into the crowd, from which he made a second effort to escape after clambering out of the shaft. After running about 50 yards he was brought down by a charge of shot full in the face and a bullet in his leg. He is still alive, but is not likely to recover.

The persons on whom Spellen's bullets took effect are Chief of Police Blair, wounded in the left side; E. Butterworth, shot through the arm, and A. L. Mott, shot in the foot.

Spellen is about 28 years of age and recently manifested signs of insanity. Raber, whom he murdered last night, was paying attention to his sister. Raber was superintendent of the Dubois Water Company's pumping station.

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## Woman's Love.

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Martin Thorn, convicted of one of the foulest murders in history and now awaiting execution in Sing Sing, is deluged with love letters and frantic offers of sympathy from sweet, tender and refined women. The writers say he is a lovely man, and a dear, put upon victim, so he is, and they know the killing and subsequent butchering of the body of Gou densuppe was all the fault of that nasty Mrs. Nack. Although a witness swore that Thorn confessed the fiendish crime to him, a crime so terrible that we refrain from hurting our readers sensibilities with any close reference to it, yet these loving and tender women who write slushy letters to the slayer blame the whole affair on Thorn's accomplice, the woman. Is it because she is a woman they do so?

None of this scribbled slopping over of morbid emotions is given to Thorn by the prison warden, who knows his business and is disgusted with the writers. If Thorn received the correspondence, he would undoubtedly feel himself exalted into a stage hero.

It seems as if women have not yet been sufficiently kicked and beaten and choked and shot by brutal men. Many of them want more of it, much more of it, apparently, before they will be satisfied to make heroes of just plain, good men who never butcher anybody or commit highway robbery.—*Ex.*

## Storing Eggs.

Eggs should not be stored near any odorous commodity, as they have almost the proclivity of butter for absorbing odors. Especial care should be taken in shipping. In one instance a shipment of eggs was placed near a large shipment of apples on the ship, and they became almost unsalable, because it was claimed that they had the odor of apples. Eggs that are pickled are not as liable to be affected by odors as other eggs. In the pickling there seems to be a deposit of the shells which tends to fill the pores; perhaps that is the reason why the shells of pickled eggs almost always burst when boiled.

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## THE MARKETS.

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| Lard per lb | 07 |
| Ham per pound | .10 |
| Pork, whole, per pound | .06 |
| Beef, quarter, per pound | .07 |
| Wheat per bushel | 1 00 |
| Oats " " | .30 |
| Rye " " | .50 |
| Wheat flour per bbl | 5.00 |
| Hay per ton | 12 to $14 |
| Potatoes per bushel, new | .80 |
| Turnips " " | .25 |
| Onions " " | 1 00 |
| Sweet potatoes per peck | .35 |
| Tallow per lb | .05 |
| Shoulder " " | .08 |
| Side meat " " | .08 |
| Vinegar, per qt | .05 |
| Dried apples per lb | .05 |
| Dried cherries, pitted | .12 |
| Raspberries | .12 |
| Cow Hides per lb | .3½ |
| Steer " " " | .05 |
| Calf Skin | .80 |
| Sheep pelts | .75 |
| Shelled corn per bus | .50 |
| Corn meal, cwt | 1.50 |
| Bran, " | .85 |
| Chop " | .90 |
| Middlings " | .85 |
| Chickens per lb new | .08 |
| " " " old | .08 |
| Turkeys " " | .12½ |
| Geese " " | .14 |
| Ducks " " | .08 |

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# WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec., 24th, 1897.

"Wobbling Willie" is again being applied to Mr. McKinley as a nickname by members of his own party. The republicans who still call themselves bimetallists have about decided that Mr. McKinley must either declare himself to be a gold monometallist or a bimetallist: they are tired of having him coddle them by talking bimetallism and then allowing Secretary Gage to publicly announce, without remonstrance, that the administration was for any and everything that was regarded as likely to help perpetuate the single gold standard. These men have quieted their constituents by securing them of Mr. McKinley's sincere friendship for bimetallism, and his desire to aid in its restoration when the opportunity offered, and it was from Mr. McKinley himself that they got the impressions upon which those assurances were founded. Now they have doubts, and will demand that Mr. McKinley settle them once for all.

Mr. McKinley has been wobbling on the civil service rules quite as badly as upon finance, and he is likely to find himself brought to book on this subject soon after Congress resumes business. Just before Congress adjourned for the holidays, Mr. McKinley indicated, if he did not actually make the promise, to some of the republicans who had been taking an active part in the movement to secure anti-civil service legislature, that he intended to issue an executive order that would remove from the protection of the civil service rules many of the offices that were included in Mr. Cleveland's extensions of the rules. This week, with Congress away, Mr. McKinley told his Cabinet that he was inclined to stand pat on civil service and that while he might make some changes he did not expect to make any extensive modification of existing rules.

The joint sessions of the House and Senate Indian Committee, the object of which is to agree upon a single bill covering all the legislation for the Indian Territory and the five tribes of civilized Indians that this Congress will be asked to pass, have so far merely served to show how many divergent interests there are in this matter and how difficult it will be to draw a bill that will not be unjust to some of these interests.

The nomination of Mr. Charles Page Bryan to be minister to China, if persisted in by Mr. McKinley, may be the cause of a big fuss in the Senate. It has been represented to Mr. McKinley that the European grab game which is now being played in China makes it imperative that the U. S. minister to that country should be a man of wide diplomatic experience, and that Mr. Bryan lacks that qualification. Such Senators as Teller, Wolcott and Frye have announced their intention to fight the confirmation of Bryan, if Mr. McKinley sends it to the Senate in spite of the protests which have been made to him

The republican policy of cutting the appropriations regardless of what is needed, in order to try to help the Dingley tariff lessen that deficit nightmare, has been shown in a striking manner by the way in which the House committee on Appropriations treated the recommendations of the Secretary of the Interior, who had himself, under orders from the White House, cut the estimates of all his bureau chiefs. Everybody knows that the work of the Patent Office has steadily increased with the growth of the country, and perhaps everybody doesn't know, but it is true all the same, that the U. S. Government makes a profit out of the Patent Office, the amount to its credit at this time in the U. S. Treasury being in excess of $5,000,000. The Secretary of the Interior asked Congress to provide for just one-half of the additional help that the Commissioner of Patents says is needed to get the business of the office up to date, and the House Appropriations Committee declined to provide any additional help at all, although the business of the office is now from two to six months behind. If a private business establishment refused to employ help enough to promptly handle its business, it would soon find that rivals were getting it away from it, but as the government has no rivals in this business those who have dealings with the Patent office will have to grin and bear the delay until better business sense prevails in the House, unless the Senate comes to the rescue by properly amending the Legislative, Executive and Judicial appropriation bill.

Every republican office holder from Ohio, in Washington, who is supposed to have the slightest influence with the republican members of the Ohio legisiature has been ordered—not requested—to report at the Hanna headquarters in Columbus, for the purpose of helping the boss to land that Senatorial plum. Another proof that this is a civil service reform administration.

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The opinion was drawn out by the desire of the department to have a ruling on the policies that have heretofore been issued by the Philadelphia Underwriters' Association and other organizations doing business in the western part of the State.


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### NEXT YEAR'S COMET SHOW.

**A Bevy of Celestial Visitors is Promised**

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There is one other comet whose visit falls due in November, 1898, but this poor body went to pieces fifty years ago. This comet is known as Biela's, and has not been seen since 1852, although it ought to have returned half a dozen times since then. It began to divide in 1846, and on its next and last appearance 1,250,000 miles separated its parts. It was this comet which an astronomer predicted would approach within 20,000 miles of the earth's path on its visit in 1832. and so accurately was this prediction made that its fulfillment was consumated within twelve hours of the time foretold. The near approach of this comet to the earth's orbit caused a considerable amount of consternation throughout the country. Nor was the excitement greatly allayed by the assurance that the earth would not reach that portion of its course which the comet approach so closely for at least a month after. However nothing very serious happened, and the public mind reassumed its wonted calm.

Although Biela's comet is not likely to appear, there will doubtless be seen about November 26 or 27 a shower of meteors associated with the orbit of the lost comet. This shower regularly returns at periods coincident with the times at which the parent comet would have arrived had it maintained its coherency.

### Mr. Bryan Will Remain on Deck.

There have been reports that William J. Bryan had expressed his intention to retire from politics. Such rumors may have sprung from the desire of the goldbugs that so formidable an opponent should cease to antagonize their policy by a cessation of his political activity. If this was a case of the wish being the father of the thought it has proved to be entirely vain, as we have the assurance of Mr. Bryan's own words that he is not going out of politics just yet.

In reply to an inquiry as to the truth of the report of his intended retirement he has written to Congressman Gaines, of Tennessee, effectually exposing its untruth by saying "I expect to remain in politics all my life. Whether I shall ever run for office again depends on circumstance."

It would indeed be a great misfortune to the country if it were deprived of Mr. Bryan's political service. This may be said without regard to the eventuality of his being again a candidate for the Presidency. Circumstances will determine what occasion there may be for his service in that capacity; but he has proven himself so staunch an advocate of true Democratic principles, at a time when the fate of the Republic depends upon the success of those principles, and so able and fearless a tribune of the people that the nation will profit by his service in whatever capacity he may render it. He is a born leader and he may be trusted to lead in the right direction.

It is not merely in his advocacy of silver, as a part of the constitutional currency of the country, that he is serving the cause of the people and maintaining a Democratic principle. There is in his championship something higher than the mere question of money. It involves the preservation of popular institutions and free government.

That the people should have a free and sound currency, uncontrolled by the monetary monopoly which the gold standard is intended to establish, is a matter of great material interest to them, but it is transcended in importance by the enforcement of those principles of Democratic government and essentials to civil liberty which were so forcibly re-asserted in the Chicago platform and so ably and fearlessly maintained by William J. Bryan, whom the country cannot afford to have retired from political life until it shall be determined that the will of the people, and not the banded interests of wealth, shall rule this nation.—*Ex.*


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### The Dead of the War.

From the records of the war department corrected to date, by the investigations of the Pension office, it is ascertained now that out of the 2,000,000 union soldiers of the late war the aggregate number of deaths was 360,207. While 67,058 men were killed outright in action and 42,581 died of wounds making a total of 109,639, more than double that number died of disease or to be exact, 224,586. It is worth noting that out of the more than 2,000,000 individuals who were in the service from first to last, only 267 men were executed for crimes by the United States military authorities. Soon after the war the government took measures to identify the vast army of dead and mark their graves. Seventy-six national cemeteries were established throughout the union, including one in the city of Mexico, where the dead of the Mexican war lie buried. They are mostly on Southern prisons, Arlington, the most beautiful of all, being opposite the capital on old Custer Lee plantation. In these over 135,000 soldiers graves are marked.


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### Coal and Railroad Notes.

The Pennsylvania statement of earnings for the month of November makes quite as good a showing as that for October, the banner month of the year.

The president of one of the soft coal roads says trade conditions are somewhat improved and there is a general tendency toward better prices. A number of meetings of representatives of the soft coal companies have been held lately, and it is probable that a settlement of differences will soon be reached and prices advanced.


A miner who has just returned from the gold fields gives the following advice to all who contemplate going to the frozen country: "Keep sober and work hard and you will make money in the Klondike." This is very good advice, but any one who will carry out these instructions will not have to go to Klondike to get rich, but can stay right here in Bloomsburg, provided he can get the work to do.

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## RAILROAD TIME TABLE

### DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD.

BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

| STATIONS. | EAST. A.M. | P.M. | A.M. | P.M. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NORTHUMBERLAND | 6 25 | 1.50 | 10 00 | 5 50 |
| Cameron | 6 38 | ..... | ..... | 6 03 |
| Chulasky | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 07 |
| Danville | 6 50 | 2 12 | 10 21 | 6 13 |
| Catawissa | 7 03 | 2 26 | .... | 6 28 |
| Rupert | 7 09 | 2 31 | 10 35 | 6 33 |
| Bloomsburg | 7 14 | 2 36 | 10 41 | 6 39 |
| Espy | 7 23 | 2 42 | 10 46 | 6 45 |
| Lime Ridge | 7 30 | 2 48 | ..... | 6 52 |
| Willow Grove | 7 34 | 2 52 | ..... | 6 56 |
| Briarcreek | 7 38 | ..... | ..... | 7 00 |
| Berwick | 7 48 | 3 01 | 11 02 | 7 06 |
| Beach Haven | 7 54 | 3 07 | .... | 7 12 |
| Hick's Ferry | 8 00 | 3 13 | .... | 7 19 |
| Shickshinny | 8 10 | 3 24 | 11 21 | 7 28 |
| Hunlock's | 8 20 | 3 34 | .... | 7 47 |
| Nanticoke | 8 27 | 3 42 | 11 36 | 7 54 |
| Avondale | 8 32 | 3 47 | .... | 7 58 |
| Plymouth | 8 37 | 3 52 | 11 43 | 8 03 |
| Plymouth Junction | 8 42 | 3 57 | ..... | 8 07 |
| Kingston | 8 50 | 4 05 | 11 52 | 8 12 |
| Bennett | 8 53 | 4 08 | ..... | 8 16 |
| Forty Fort | 8 56 | 4 11 | ..... | 8 19 |
| Wyoming | 9 01 | 4 17 | 12 00 | 8 22 |
| West Pittston | 9 06 | 4 22 | ..... | 8 30 |
| Susquehanna Ave | 9 10 | 4 25 | 12 07 | 8 33 |
| Pittston | 9 15 | 4 30 | 12 10 | 8 39 |
| Duryea | 9 19 | 4 34 | ..... | 8 44 |
| Lackawanna | 9 24 | 4 37 | ..... | 8 48 |
| Taylor | 9 32 | 4 45 | .... | 8 57 |
| Bellevue | 9 37 | 4 50 | .... | 9 02 |
| SCRANTON | 9 42 | 4 55 | 12 30 | 9 07 |
| | A.M. | P.M. | P.M. | P.M. |

| STATIONS. | WEST. A.M. | A.M. | P.M. | P.M. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SCRANTON | 6 00 | 10 20 | 1 55 | 6 00 |
| Bellevue | 6 05 | .... | .... | ..... |
| Taylor | 6 10 | 10 28 | 2 05 | 6 10 |
| Lackawanna | 6 18 | 10 35 | 2 13 | 6 17 |
| Duryea | 6 22 | 10 38 | 2 16 | 6 21 |
| Pittston | 6 28 | 10 42 | 2 20 | 6 25 |
| Susquehanna Ave | 6 32 | 10 44 | 2 23 | 6 28 |
| West Pittston | 6 35 | 10 48 | 2 27 | 6 31 |
| Wyoming | 6 40 | 10 54 | 2 32 | 6 36 |
| Forty Fort | 6 45 | .... | .... | .... |
| Bennett | 6 48 | 11 00 | 2 39 | 6 44 |
| Kingston | 6 54 | 11 04 | 2 45 | 6 58 |
| Plymouth Junction | 6 59 | .... | 2 50 | ..... |
| Plymouth | 7 04 | 11 12 | 2 54 | 7 03 |
| Avondale | 7 09 | .... | 2 58 | 7 07 |
| Nanticoke | 7 14 | 11 29 | 3 02 | 7 12 |
| Hunlock's | 7 20 | 11 30 | 3 10 | 7 18 |
| Shickshinny | 7 31 | 11 40 | 3 24 | 7 28 |
| Hick's Ferry | 7 44 | 11 50 | 3 38 | 7 47 |
| Beach Haven | 7 54 | 11 55 | 3 43 | 7 58 |
| Berwick | 8 00 | 12 00 | 3 49 | 8 06 |
| Briarcreek | 8 06 | .... | 3 55 | ..... |
| Willow Grove | 8 10 | 12 10 | 3 59 | 8 11 |
| Lime Ridge | 8 14 | 12 15 | 4 04 | 8 15 |
| Espy | 8 21 | 12 21 | 4 11 | 8 23 |
| Bloomsburg | 8 28 | 12 27 | 4 17 | 8 30 |
| Rupert | 8 34 | 12 32 | 4 23 | 8 36 |
| Catawissa | 8 40 | 12 36 | 4 28 | 8 41 |
| Danville | 8 55 | 12 49 | 4 44 | 8 58 |
| Chulasky | .... | ..... | 4 49 | ..... |
| Cameron | 9 15 | 12 58 | 4 54 | 9 10 |
| NORTHUMBERLAND | 9 20 | 1 10 | 5 08 | 9 25 |
| | A.M. | P.M. | P.M. | P.M. |

Connections at Rupert with Philadelphia & Reading Railroad for Tamanend, Tamaqua Williamsport, Sunbury, Pottsville, etc At Northumberland with P. & E. Div. P. & R. for Harrisburg, Lock Haven, Emporium Warren, Corry and Erie.

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|---|---|---|
| a m \| a. m. \| p m \| p.m. | STATIONS. | a m \| p m \| p m \| a m |
| 7.10 \| 11.45 \| 6.30 \| 2.15 | Bloomsburg | 8.34 \| 2 40 \| 6.45 \| 6.10 |
| 7.08 \| 11.40 \| 6.26 \| 2.10 | " P. & R. | 8.36 \| 2.42 \| 6.47 \| " |
| 7.03 \| 11.27 \| 6.24 \| 2.08 | " Main st. | 8.39 \| 2.45 \| 6.50 \| " |
| 6.53 \| 11.27 \| 6.12 \| 1 50 | Paper Mill | 8 48 \| 2.54 \| 7.01 \| 6.37 |
| 6.50 \| 11.23 \| 6.09 \| 1.45 | Light st. | 8.52 \| 2.59 \| 7.05 \| 6.50 |
| 6.40 \| 11.13 \| 5.59 \| 1.30 | Orangeville | 9 02 \| 3.10 \| 7.14 \| 7.10 |
| 6.29 \| 11.01 \| 5.48 \| 1.00 | Forks | 9.10 \| 3.20 \| 7.24 \| 7.35 |
| 6.25 \| 11.00 \| 5.44 \| 12.58 | Zaner's | 9.14 \| 3.24 \| 7.28 \| 7.45 |
| 6.18 \| 10.55 \| 5.37 \| 12.45 | Stillwater | 9.20 \| 3.30 \| 7.33 \| 8.00 |
| 6.08 \| 10.45 \| 5.27 \| 2.3 | Benton | 9.30 \| 3.40 \| 7.43 \| 8.20 |
| 6.04 \| 10.40 \| 5 22 \| 12.10 | Edson's | 9.34 \| 3.44 \| 7.47 \| 8.40 |
| 6.02 \| 10 38 \| 5.20 \| 12.03 | Cole's Cr'k. | 9.37 \| 3.47 \| 7.51 \| 8.46 |
| 5.53 \| 10.29 \| 5.13 \| 11.53 | Laubach | 9.47 \| 3.57 \| 8.01 \| 9.00 |
| 5.43 \| 10.23 \| 5.03 \| 11.45 | Central | 9.57 \| 4.07 \| 8.11 \| 9.25 |
| 5.40 \| 10.20 \| 5.00 \| 11.30 | Jam. City | 10.00 \| 4.10 \| 8.15 \| 9.35 |
| a m \| a m \| p m \| p m | | a m \| p m \| p m \| a m |
| LEAVE | | ARRIVE |


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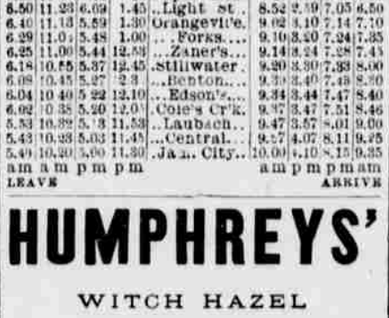


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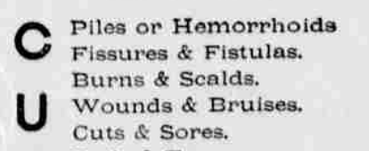


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| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scranton(D & H)lv | ‡ 6 | ‡ 9 38 | ‡ 2 28 | ‡ 4 41 |
| Pittston " " | 7 03 | 110 00 | ‡ 2 50 | 5 06 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Wilkesbarre...lv | ‡ 7 30 | ‡10 15 | ‡ 3 12 | ‡ 6 |
| Plym'th Ferry " | ‡ 7 38 | 10 20 | ‡ 3 21 | ‡ |
| Nanticoke..... " | 7 46 | 10 27 | 3 30 | |
| Mocanaqua..... " | 8 04 | 10 45 | 3 50 | |
| Wapwallopen.. " | 8 10 | 10 55 | 3 59 | 6 47 |
| Nescopeck ..... ar | 8 24 | 11 10 | 4 10 | 7 09 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Pottsville.....lv | ‡ 6 00 | ‡ 9 05 | ‡12 05 | ‡ 3 09 |
| Hazleton ..... " | 7 20 | 11 35 | 2 00 | 5 50 |
| Tomhicken..... " | 7 30 | 11 2 | 2 20 | 6 10 |
| Fern Glen..... " | 7 38 | 11 3 | 2 28 | 6 18 |
| Rock Glen ..... " | 7 43 | 11 4 | 2 35 | 6 25 |
| Nescopeck ..... ar | 8 07 | ..... | 3 00 | 6 50 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Nescopeck.....lv | ‡ 8 24 | ‡11 10 | ‡ 4 10 | ‡ 7 00 |
| Creasy ..... " | 8 33 | Via | 4 28 | 7 09 |
| Espy Ferry.... " | ‡ 8 43 | Rock | ‡ 4 2 | 7 18 |
| E. Bloomsburg" | 8 47 | Glen | 4 30 | 7 21 |
| | | | P. M. | |
| Catawissa..... ar | 8 55 | | 12 20 | 4 36 | 7 30 |
| Catawissa .....lv | 8 55 | | 12 20 | 4 36 | 7 30 |
| S. Danville..... " | 9 14 | | 12 38 | 4 55 | 7 47 |
| Sunbury..... " | 9 35 | | 1 00 | 5 17 | 8 10 |
| | A. M. | | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Sunbury.....lv | ‡ 9 45 | | ‡ 1 10 | ‡ 5 34 | ‡ 9 25 |
| Lewisburg....ar | 10 15 | | 1 45 | 6 08 | ..... |
| Milton..... " | 10 10 | | 1 39 | 6 05 | 9 20 |
| Williamsport.. " | 11 00 | | 2 30 | 6 53 | 10 10 |
| Lock Haven... " | 11 59 | | 3 40 | 7 57 | ..... |
| Renovo ..... " | A. M. | | 4 40 | 8 53 | ..... |
| Kane..... " | ..... | | 9 00 | ..... | ..... |
| | P. M. | | P. M. | | |
| Lock Haven...lv | ‡12 10 | | ‡3 45 | ..... | ..... |
| Bellefonte.....ar | 1 05 | | 4 44 | ..... | ..... |
| Tyrone..... " | 2 15 | | 6 10 | ..... | ..... |
| Philipsburg.... " | 4 23 | | 8 26 | ..... | ..... |
| Clearfield ..... " | 5 06 | | 9 09 | ..... | ..... |
| Pittsburg ..... " | 6 55 | | 11 30 | ..... | ..... |
| | A. M. | | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Sunbury.....lv | ‡ 9 50 | | ‡ 1 55 | ‡ 5 25 | ‡ 8 30 |
| Harrisburg....ar | 11 30 | | ‡ 3 20 | 6 55 | ‡10 10 |
| | P. M. | | P. M. | P. M. | A. M. |
| Philadelphia .ar | ‡ 3 00 | | 7 38 | 10 20 | ‡ 4 50 |
| Baltimore..... " | 3 10 | | ‡ 6 00 | ‡ 9 45 | 6 20 |
| Washington " | 4 16 | | ‡ 7 12 | 10 55 | 7 40 |
| | A. M. | | P. M. | | |
| Sunbury .....lv | ‡10 05 | | ‡ 2 25 | ..... | ..... |
| | P. M. | | | | |
| Lewistown Jc ar | 12 05 | | ‡ 4 23 | ..... | ..... |
| Pittsburg..... " | ‡ 6 55 | | 111 30 | ..... | ..... |
| | A. M. | | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Harrisburg..... lv | ‡11 45 | | 13 50 | ‡ 7 30 | ‡10 20 |
| | P. M. | | A. M. | A. M. | |
| Pittsburg.....ar | ‡ 6 55 | | 111 30 | ‡ 2 00 | ‡ 5 30 |

‡ Weekdays. Daily. f Flag station

| | P. M. | P. M. | A. M. | A. M. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pittsburg.....lv | ‡ 8 10 | ‡ 8 10 | ‡ 3 10 | ‡ 8 00 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | | P. M. |
| Harrisburg....ar | ‡ 3 30 | ‡ 3 30 | 110 00 | ‡ 3 10 |
| | | A. M. | | A. M. |
| Pittsburg.....lv | ..... | ..... | .... | ‡ 8 00 |
| | | | | P. M. |
| Lewistown Jc." | ..... | ‡ 7 30 | ..... | ‡ 3 05 |
| Sunbury... ar | ..... | ‡ 9 8 | ..... | ‡ 5 00 |
| | P. M. | A. M. | A. M. | A. M |
| Washington....lv | 110 40 | .... | ‡ 7 50 | 110 50 |
| Baltimore..... " | 111 50 | ‡ 4 55 | ‡ 8 50 | 112 00 |
| Philadelphia... " | 111 20 | ‡ 4 30 | ‡ 8 30 | 112 25 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. |
| Harrisburg.....lv | ‡ 3 35 | ‡ 8 05 | ‡11 40 | ‡ 3 55 |
| Sunbury... ..... ar | ‡ 5 08 | ‡ 9 40 | 1 10 | ‡ 5 29 |
| | P. M. | | A. M. | A. M. |
| Pittsburg.....lv | ‡ 1 00 | ..... | ‡ 3 30 | ‡ 8 00 |
| Clearfield ..... " | 4 09 | ..... | ..... | 9 31 |
| Philipsburg.... " | 4 56 | ..... | ..... | 10 22 |
| Tyrone..... " | 7 15 | ..... | ‡ 8 10 | 12 30 |
| Bellefonte..... " | 8 31 | ..... | 9 32 | 1 42 |
| Lock Haven...ar | 9 30 | ..... | 10 30 | 2 38 |
| | P. M. | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. |
| Erie .....lv | ‡ 3 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Kane..... " | 7 05 | ..... | ‡ 6 27 | ..... |
| Renovo ..... " | 10 25 | ‡ 6 40 | 10 30 | ..... |
| Lock Haven..... " | 11 11 | ‡ 7 33 | 11 25 | ‡ 8 00 |
| | | | P. M. | |
| Williamsport.. " | 12 15 | ‡ 8 30 | ‡12 15 | 4 00 |
| Milton ..... " | 1 13 | 9 18 | 1 13 | 4 52 |
| Lewisburg..... " | ..... | 9 05 | 1 15 | 4 47 |
| Sunbury... ..... ar | 1 45 | 9 45 | 1 55 | 5 20 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Sunbury.....lv | ‡ 5 25 | ‡ 9 55 | ‡ 2 0 | ‡ 5 43 |
| S. Danville..... " | 5 48 | 10 17 | 2 21 | 6 07 |
| Catawissa..... " | 6 08 | 10 35 | 2 37 | 6 24 |
| E. Bloomsburg" | Via | 10 48 | 2 48 | 6 32 |
| Espy Ferry..... " | Rock | ‡10 47 | 2 47 | ‡ 6 36 |
| Creasy ..... " | Glen. | 10 56 | 2 55 | 6 46 |
| Nescopeck ... ar | 8 07 | 11 10 | 3 10 | 6 59 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Nescopeck.....lv | ..... | ‡11 10 | ‡4 15 | ‡ 7 05 |
| Rock Glen..... ar | ‡ 6 52 | 11 35 | 4 40 | 7 31 |
| Fern Glen..... " | 6 59 | 11 43 | 4 46 | 7 37 |
| Tomhicken..... " | 7 10 | 11 54 | 4 55 | 7 47 |
| | | P. M. | | |
| Hazleton ..... " | 7 [illegible] | 12 15 | 5 15 | 8 05 |
| Pottsville ..... " | 8 [illegible] | 1 20 | 7 06 | 9 50 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Nescopeck..... lv | ‡ 8 07 | ‡ 11 10 | ‡ 3 10 | ‡ 6 [illegible] |
| Wapwallopen.ar | 8 18 | 11 22 | 3 19 | 7 09 |
| Mocanaqua..... " | 8 28 | 11 32 | 3 30 | 7 21 |
| Nanticoke ..... " | 8 48 | 11 54 | 3 50 | 7 42 |
| | | P. M | | |
| Plym'th Ferry " | ‡ 8 56 | 12 02 | 4 00 | 7 52 |
| Wilkesbarre.... " | 9 05 | 12 10 | 4 10 | 8 00 |
| | A. M. | P. M | P. M. | P. M. |
| Pittston(D & H) ar | ‡ 9 41 | ‡12 49 | ‡ 4 52 | ‡ 8 36 |
| Scranton " " | 10 10 | 1 16 | 5 20 | 9 05 |

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For Catawissa weekdays 7.30, 11.45 a. m., 12.20, 3.30 5.00 7.35, p. m.

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Leave New York via Philadelphia 8.00 a m., and via Easton 9.10 a. m.

Leave Philadelphia 10.05 a. m.

Leave Reading 11.55 a. m.

Leave Pottsville 12.30 p. m.

Leave Tamaqua 1.27 a. m.,

Leave Williamsport weekdays 10.20 a m, 4.30 p m.

Leave Catawissa weekdays, 7.00, 8.20 9.10 a. m. 1.30 3.30, 7.13.

Leave Rupert, weekdays, 7.08, 8.18, 9.18 11.56 a. m., 1.18, 3.40, 7.25.

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### May Prosperity Be Yours.

This is the last issue of the COLUMBIAN for 1897. We wish all our readers a happy new year, and sincerely hope that it will bring forth something more material than the fifty-two weeks which are passing into history. May peace and prosperity be yours.

# WANTS RECIPROCITY

## Progress of the Negotiation With the British Government.

## IN DOUBT AS TO CANADA

**Probable that England Would Like All Her Colonies Included in the Benefits, but the Seal Matter Complicates the Situation.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, has just recovered from a long and painful attack of rheumatism which has kept him in bed for a good part of the last three months. The fact that he was able to call at the State Department Tuesday led to reports that coincident with Lord Salisbury's declination of the proposition to stop pelagic sealing Sir Julian had renewed reciprocity negotiations. His call, however, had no significance, as Sir Julian did not know of Lord Salisbury's answer at the time he visited the department.

As to the reciprocity negotiations, they have progressed steadily through Mr. Adam, First Secretary of the Embassy, and Sir Julian will now be able to give the mater personal attention.

The main desire of the British West India Colonies is to secure the 20 per cent. reciprocity reduction on sugar. What will be offered in exchange has not yet been determined.

**May Include Canada.**

At the outset the negotiations were confined to the British West Indies, but the present indications are that efforts will be made to include Canada among the colonies receiving the advantages of reciprocity. How far this can be done in view of the failure of the Behring Sea negotiations is not clear, but it is probable that the British Government will prefer to have the negotiations embrace all the colonies, including Canada, instead of repeating the course when the last reciprocity treaties were framed of confining them to the West Indian possessions.

In this connection it may be stated that Mr. Kasson, the special commissioner of the United States, charged with the conduct of the negotiation of reciprocity arrangements and treaties under the tariff act, has not undertaken to consider the subject of reciprocity with Canada. This is due to the fact that the subject of reciprocity, pure and simple, as described in the tariff act, has become so involved with the seal question and other issues as to become practically inseparable from them, and so the entire subject of Canadian relations appears to remain in the control of ex-Secretary Foster.

**As to Arbitration.**

It has been expected that the recovery of Sir Julian would permit active steps on the British-American treaty of arbitration. There is no present prospect, however, that anything will be done on that subject.

Up to this time no negotiations have been opened between the Ambassador and the State Department. Both governments have signified a favorable attitude towards reopening negotiations, but the British Government will take no steps whatever until assurance is at hand that a treaty will be ratified by the Senate.

It is said that the answer of Lord Salisbury on the Behring Sea question, which has been briefly reported by cable, adds no new phase to the case, as this declination was foreshadowed by the answer of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian Premier, declining to stop pelagic sealing.

**Fourth-Class Postmasters.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—Fourth-class postmasters have been appointed as follows:

New Jersey — Kingsland, Bergen County, John McGarry.

New York—Accord, Ulster County, William O. Haines; Appleton, Niagara, Fred L. Wyman; Clear Creek, Chautauqua, Nina M. Saunders; Coomer, Niagara, W. N. Lewis; Highland, Ulster, Frank F. Simpson; Hurley, Ulster, Charles Du Mond; Kyserite, Ulster, Philetus Kortright; Mineville, Essex, Edgar A. Podmore; Mombaccus, Ulster, Eugene Torwillinger; Moriah Centre, Essex, A. Le Roy Woodruff; New Baltimore, Greene, Stephen T. Whitbeck; Richmondville, Schoharie, Charles B. Brown; Ridge Road, Niagara, William C. Reed; Stormville, Dutchess, Thomas Prevoost.

Pennsylvania — Kizers, Lackawanna County, H. Jansen Cook; Manchester, York, Moses Gohn.

**Depositors Accept the Plan.**

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Depositors and shareholders of the Chestnut Street National Bank and the Chestnut Street Trust and Savings Fund Company continue to sign agreements declaring their approval of the plan for the voluntary liquidation of the affairs of the two institutions devised by Messrs. Earle and Cook, the assignees of the trust company. Many depositors called at the bank yesterday and signified their willingness to accept the plan.

Deputy Comptroller of the Currency Coffin says that the shareholders required by law before a bank can go into voluntary liquidation have already been secured.

**Maj. Handy Seriously Ill.**

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 30.—Moses P. Handy, special United States Commissioner to the Paris Exposition, is seriously ill at a hotel in the fashionable suburban district of this city. Maj. Handy, accompanied by Lieut. A. S. Baker, U. S. N., aide to the special commissioner, together with Mrs. Handy and Mrs. Baker, came to Augusta on Dec. 17, suffering from nervous prostration. He has been steadily confined to his room ever since, with no signs of immediate improvement.

**Hawaii Treaty Gains.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—Senator Cushman K. Davis, chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, discussed with the President yesterday the status of the Hawaiian treaty under the new condition of things. Both the President and the Senator believe that the demonstration of the European powers in China has strengthened the treaty, and that it is now possible to ratify it in its present form. It will be taken up immediately after Congress reconvenes.

**Had No Faith in Banks.**

Niles, Mich., Dec. 30.—Lawrence Walters, an aged farmer, residing three miles north of Wayland, Cass County, had no faith in banks, and, instead, placed his savings, consisting of about $2,500 in greenbacks, $4,000 in government bonds, notes, mortgages and other valuable papers, in a tin pan. This he buried beneath the floor of his barn some months ago. He has been in the habit of visiting the hiding place every day to see if his fortune was safe. When he made the customary visit yesterday morning he discovered that robbers had been there, for his fortune had disappeared. The old man is almost crazed over his loss.

**Quay Buys a New Home.**

Pittsburg, Dec. 30.—A real estate sale of political significance is the purchase by Senator Matthew S. Quay of the Hare place at Osborn, Allegheny County, valued at $75,000. The late Thomas Hare purchased the property about twenty-five years ago from Gen. George W. Cass, then president of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad.

Senator Quay and his family have for many years lived at Beaver, and deferred moving principally for political reasons. He and the organization leaders, C. L. Magee and State Senator Flinn, will now live in the same county.

**Sibley Sues for Alleged Libel.**

Franklin, Pa., Dec. 30.—Patrick C. Boyle, editor of the Oil City Derrick, was arrested yesterday on an information made by ex-Congressman Joseph C. Sibley, charging him with criminal libel. Boyle immediately furnished bail. The prosecution is based on articles published during the recent campaign.

Mr. Sibley is the wealthy free-silverite who three years ago bitterly attacked President Cleveland in Congress, calling him "a combination of brains, belly and brass."

**$20,000 for Both Hands.**

Boston, Dec. 30.—Louis M. Packer, of Lynn, who brought suit against the Thomson-Houston Electric Company for $100,000 for the loss of both hands in a machine at the works of the company nearly two years ago, has received an award of damages in the sum of $20,000.

**Mr. Gladstone's Birthday.**

London, Dec. 30.—Yesterday being the birthday of the Right Hon. William E. Gladstone, the usual congratulations were sent to Hawarden and Cannes, where Mr. Gladstone is improving, although still suffering from neuralgia. Mr. Gladstone was born on Dec. 29, 1809.

## SEALING BILL SIGNED.

**Taking or Importing the Animals or Skins Is Now Forbidden.**

Washington, Dec. 30.—Ex-Secretary Foster had a conference with the President yesterday, after which the President approved the bill "prohibiting the killing of fur seals in the waters of the North Pacific Ocean," passed the day Congress adjourned for the holidays.

The act prohibits the killing of seals by American citizens, except as they may be taken on the Pribylof Islands by the North American Commercial Company. It also prohibits the importation of sealskins into the United States, whether "raw, dressed, dyed or manufactured." The penalty for violation of the law is a fine of not less than $200 or more than $2,000, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both, for each offense, including the forfeiture to the United States of the vessel, its tackle and cargo.


## Baby's Smooth, Fair Skin

**Is Due to Hood's Sarsaparilla—It Cured Him of Dreadful Scrofulous Sores—Now in Good Health.**

"At the age of two months, my baby began to have sores break out on his right cheek. We used all the local external applications that we could think or hear of, to no avail. The sores spread all over one side of his face. We consulted a physician and tried his medicine, and in a week the sore was gone. But to my surprise in two weeks more another scrofulous looking sore made its appearance on his arm. It grew worse and worse, and when he was three months old, I began giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla. I also took Hood's Sarsaparilla, and before the first bottle was finished, the sores were well and have never returned. He is now four years old, but he has never had any sign of those scrofulous sores since he was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, for which I feel very grateful. My boy owes his good health and smooth, fair skin to this great medicine." MRS. S. S. WORTEN, Farmington, Delaware.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold by all druggists. $1, six for $5. Be sure to get Hood's.


### LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that the following named persons have filed with the Clerk of the Quarter Sessions of Columbia County, their petitions for license, which will be presented to said Court on

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1898,

AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

H. P. Aurand, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in the town of Bloomsburg, on the south side of Second street.

Geo W. Ash and Stewart A. Ash, trading under the firm name of Ash & Bro., residence Briarcreek township Distillers, situate in a room in the north east corner of the second floor of the flouring mill owned by Charles Ash and G. W. Ash, said mill being situate in Briarcreek township.

John Bauman, residence Mainville, Hotel, situate in Main township, in town of Mainville, on east side of public road leading from Catawissa to Beaver Valley.

Thomas Boran, residence Second ward Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in said second ward, borough of Centralia, at the corner of Railroad and Paxton streets.

Thomas E. Brown, residence Benton. Hotel, situate in the borough of Benton, on northwest side of Main street.

J. S. Blue and Phineas B. Hoffman, residence, Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the northeast corner of Second and Centre streets, in the Town of Bloomsburg.

Jas. R. Bibby, residence, Catawissa township. Hotel, situate in Catawissa township, on public road leading from Catawissa to Ashland, and known as "Bibby's Hotel."

George Boyer, residence, Conyngham township. Hotel, situate in Conyngham township, on the west side of main public road, leading from Numedia to Montana.

Peter E. Bean, residence, in Numidia. Hotel situate in Numidia, Locust township, at the intersection of the road leading from Catawissa to Centralia, with the public road leading from Numidia to Kerntown.

Thomas Collins, residence, first ward, in Centralia. Restaurant, situate in first ward, Borough of Centralia, on the east side of Locust Avenue.

Mary Curry, residence second ward, Centralia. Hotel, situate in Second ward, Borough of Centralia, on the northwest corner of Locust Avenue and Centre streets.

John J. Cain, residence, first ward Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in the first ward, Centralia borough, at the southeast corner of Locust Avenue and Park street, of said borough.

Abraham E. Camp, residence, Centralia. Hotel, situate in the first ward, Centralia borough, on Locust Avenue.

George R. Crossley, residence, Benton. Restaurant, situate in the borough of Benton, on the north side of Centre street.

Wm. F. Crawford, residence Orange township. Hotel, situate in Jerseytown, Madison township, on south side of public road leading from Buckhorn to Muncy

R. K. Crisi, residence Pine township. Hotel, situate at Pine Summit in Pine township, on the public road leading from Pine Summit to Muncy.

Cornelius J. Coddington, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in first ward Centralia borough, on east side of Locust avenue

Howard S. Cole, residence Sugarloaf township. Restaurant, situate at Coles Creek, on the east side of public road leading from Benton to Samison City.

Lorenzo Cox, residence Iola, Col. Co. Hotel, situate in the village of Sugargrove, Greenwood township, on the west side of Main street of said village.

William P. Doyle, residence Conyngham township Restaurant, situate on corner of Centre and Wood street.

H. F. Dieterich, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in the town of Bloomsburg, on the south side of Main street, known as the St. Elmo Hotel.

Michael Douse, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in second ward, borough of Centralia, on west side of Locust Avenue.

Harvey Dieterich, residence, Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on Main or Second Sts., Bloomsburg, known as the Arlington Hotel.

George W. Enterline, residence, Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, on the northeast corner of Second street and Ridge alley.

B. F. Edgar, residence Fishingcreek township Distillery, adjoining the planing mill of T. H. Edgar on the public road leading from Orangeville to Benton.

Wm. S. Fleckenstine, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in town of Bloomsburg, on the corner of Third and Leonard streets.

A. B. Fortner, residence Centralia borough Hotel, situate in first ward Centralia borough, on the northwest corner of Locust avenue and Main street.

Susan Fairman, residence borough of Berwick. Hotel, situate in Berwick borough, on the north side of Canal street.

Mathew Forbes, residence Jamison City. Restaurant, situate in Jamison City, Sugarloaf township, on east side of Market street.

Charles Fetterman, residence, Centralia. Hotel, situate in first ward, Centralia borough, on east side of Locust avenue.

J. R. Fowler, residence, Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, on the west side of Centre street.

Frederick M. Gilmore, residence, Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, on the north side of Second street.

John W. Goldsworthy, residence, Centralia. Hotel, situate in first ward, Centralia borough, on the west side of Locust avenue.

William Gigger, residence, Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, on the northwest corner of East and Sixth streets.

Ryce J. Griffith, residence, Espy. Hotel, situate in Scott township, in village of Espy, on the northwest corner of Main and Market streets, and known as Espy Hotel.

Jacob L. Girton, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in town of Bloomsburg, on north side of Main street, adjoining property of Mrs. M. I. Hennessy.

L. B. Howell, residence Jamison City, Sugarloaf township. Hotel, situate in Jamison City Sugarloaf township, in northwest division adjoining Market street, and known as Proctor Inn.

W. A. Hartzell, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in town of Bloomsburg, on the northeast corner of Second street and Murray Alley.

John P. Hill, residence Jamison City, Sugarloaf township. Hotel, situate in Jamison City Sugarloaf township, on the south side of Market street.

S. K. Heller, residence, Borough of Berwick. Restaurant, situate in Borough of Berwick, north side of Market street.

M. I. Hennessy, residence, Bloomsburg. Bottler, situate on the corner of Leonard and Main or Second street, in West Bloomsburg, known as Gross stand.

George Hutchins, residence, Catawissa borough. Hotel, situate in Catawissa borough, known as the "Susquehanna Hotel."

James C. Houghton, residence, Pine township. Wholesale as a Distiller, situate in Pine township, immediately adjoining the distillery of Houghton.

Jerry A. Hess, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in Bloomsburg, on the south side of Second street.

William H. Jones, residence, Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in first ward, Centralia borough, on the west side of Locust avenue.

William H. Jones, residence, Centralia borough. Wholesale as an agent, situate on west side of Locust avenue, in first ward, in the Borough of Centralia.

Daniel P. Kistler, residence, Catawissa borough. Hotel, situate in Borough of Catawissa, and known as "Catawissa Hotel."

Zachariah Kreisher, residence, Catawissa township Hotel, situate in Catawissa township, and known as "Three Points Hotel."

Catharine E. Kelchner, residence, Rupert. Hotel, situate in the village of Rupert, Montour township.

Joseph Kalwich, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in Centralia borough, on the west side of Locust avenue, between Railroad avenue and North street.

William T. Lynch, residence, Centralia borough, second ward. Restaurant, situate in second ward, borough of Centralia, east side of Locust avenue.

William T. Lynch, residence, Centralia borough, second ward. Wholesale liquor store, situate in the second ward, Centralia borough, on Centre street.

Bradley E. Long, residence, Benton. Hotel, situate in Borough of Benton, on Main street, and known as McHenry House.

William H. Lorah and Charles Baker, trading under the firm name of Lorah & Baker, residence, Catawissa borough. Bottlers, situate in Catawissa borough.

Rohr McHenry and John G. McHenry, trading as Rohr McHenry & Son, residence, Benton borough. Distillers, situate in Benton township, on the public road leading from the Town of Benton to Derr's postoffice.

Joel Morton, residence, Berwick. Hotel, situate in Borough of Berwick, on the south side of Front street, between Market and Mulberry streets.

John McDonnell, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, in second ward, of the borough of Centralia, on Railroad street.

Michael McDonnell, residence, Centralia borough. Wholesale as an agent, situate in second ward, Centralia borough, on west side of Locust avenue

Thomas Mohan, residence, Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate in Conyngham township, on the east side of public road leading from Centralia to Ashland.

Victor Marchinski, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in second ward Centralia borough, on the west side of Locust avenue.

Benj. D. Morton, residence, Greenwood township. Hotel, situate in the Town of Iola, in Greenwood township, on the south side of public road, leading from Millville to Unityville.

George W. Miller, residence Briarcreek township. Hotel, situate in Briarcreek township on public road leading from Berwick to Jonestown.

James Monroe, residence Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate in Conyngham township on the south side of public road leading to Mt. Carmel.

Johannah O'Conner, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in Centralia borough, first ward, on west side of Locust avenue.

Benjamin Pennypacker, residence, Millinville. Hotel, situate in Millinville, Millin township, on the north side of Third street, in Millinville.

J. W. Perry, residence, Sugarloaf township. Hotel, situate on the north side of the public road, leading from Central to Laporte in the village of Elk Grove, and known as the "Elk Grove Hotel."

Dennis Rowan, residence, Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate in village of Stynesville, in said township, on east side of Main St.

John R. Rhodes, residence, Millin township. Hotel, situate in Millin township, in village of Millinville, on the corner of Third and Race streets.

Daniel Roach, residence, Conyngham township. Hotel, situate in Conyngham township, on a lot of ground on the public road leading from Roaringcreek to Centralia.

Cortez B. Robbins, residence, Bloomsburg. Wholesale, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, on the north side of Second street.

Stephen B. Rhawn, residence, Catawissa borough. Restaurant, situate in Catawissa borough, on Main street.

A. C. Rooney, Sr., residence, Centralia borough. Wholesale as an agent, situate in second ward, Centralia borough, on the east side of Locust avenue.

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Andrew C. Rooney, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the second ward of the borough of Centralia, on the east side of Locust avenue.

S. D. Rimby, residence Madison township. Hotel, situate in Jerseytown, Madison township, on west side of public road leading to Millville.

J. M. Reilly, residence Centralia borough Restaurant, situate in second ward, Centralia borough, on the east side of Locust avenue.

Levi W. Sanger, residence Conyngham township, Hotel, situate in Conyngham township on west side of public road leading from Centralia to Numidia.

Edward Schenck, residence Berwick. Restaurant, situate in the borough of Berwick on the south side of Front street, between Market and Mulbury Streets.

Wm. S. Smith, residence Hemlock township. Hotel, situate in village of Buckhorn, in Hemlock township, on corner of Main street and road leading to Danville.

Jacob Steen, residence Central, Sugarloaf township. Hotel, situate in village of Central, Sugarloaf township.

W. F. Stohner, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in the town of Bloomsburg, on the west side of Iron street above Main street.

Benjamin F. Sponenberg, residence Berwick Hotel, situate in borough of Berwick, on corner of Front and Market streets.

Hiriam A. Shaffer, residence Orangeville. Hotel, situate in Orangeville, Orange township, on the west side of public road leading from Bloomsburg to Benton.

Charles A. Shuman, residence Beaver Valley Hotel, situate in Beaver township, known as "Shuman's Hotel."

Hannah M. Stohner, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in the town of Bloomsburg, on the south side of Second street, at corner of said Second Street and Millers alley, and known as the Central Hotel.

Gehard Snyder, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in town of Bloomsburg, on South side of Second street, known as Exchange Hotel.

Andreas O. Stonge, residence Montour township. Hotel, situate in the village of Grovania Montour township, on public road leading from Bloomsburg to Danville.

J. F. Shomaker, residence Berwick. Restaurant, situate in borough of Berwick, on south side of Front street.

Oscar E. Sutton, residence, Benton. Hotel, situate in Borough of Benton, on the Main street of said Benton borough, and known as "Exchange Hotel."

William B. Taylor, residence Bloomsburg. Bottler, situate in town of Bloomsburg, bounded on east by lot of Caleb Barton, south by Main street, on north and west by lot of N. J. Hendershott,

Adam Truckenmiller, residence Catawissa borough. Restaurant, situate in Catawissa borough, on Main street.

Charles W. Turner, residence Orangeville. Hotel, situate in the village of Orangeville, in Orange township, on the north east corner of Pine and Main Sts., and known as the Orangeville Hotel.

Clark Utt and John Johnson, residence, Rohrsburg. Hotel, situate in Rohrsburg Greenwood township, known as the Rohrsburg Hotel.

J. H. Vansickle, residence, Sugarloaf township. Restaurant, situate in Sugarloaf township, on road leading from Central to Jamison City.

William Walterscheid, residence Conyngham ownship. Hotel, situate in Locust Dale, in Conyngham township, on the right hand side of the public road leading from Ashland to Locust Gap.

Freeman Yeager, residence Centralia. Hotel, situate on Locust avenue in the second ward of the borough of Centralia.

William Yost, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in Bloomsburg, on the east side of East street.

Boyd R Yetter, residence Mainville. Hotel, situate in the village of Mainville, Main township, on the east side of public road leading from Catawissa to Beaver Valley.

Wellington Yeager, residence Locust township. Hotel, situate in village of Roaringcreek, Locust township, known as Yeager's Hotel.

Lloyd Yeager, residence Catawissa borough. Hotel, situate in Catawissa borough, corner of Pine and Railroad streets.

Joseph E. Zeigler, residence Light Street, Scott township. Hotel, situate in Light Street, in Scott township, on the east side of public road leading from Bloomsburg to Benton.

W. H. HENRIE,
Clerk Court of Quarter Sessions.
Clerk's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Dec. 24, 1897.

### NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS.

*Notice is hereby given to all holders of the First Mortgage Bonds of the Bloomsburg Literary Institute and State Normal School that the interest due on said bonds September 1, 1897, will be paid upon presentation of the bonds to the treasurer at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on any business day prior to January 20, 1898.*

*H. J. CLARK, Treasurer.*

Dec. 30, 1897 3t.


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The grand and glorious Xmas time is coming near and nearer. Our muse turns common prose into rhyme, a sort of homely Xmas chime—not in poetic style sublime, but, may be somewhat clearer. You know we have always tried before to make this season brighter. We have done our best to turn this store, with all its stock and stuff galore, into a place where more and more the people's hearts grow lighter.

So far the Court its course may ken;
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In these times, nothing more appropriate for a Xmas gift than a nice dress. We fully recognize the fact, and have added one more choice line to our bargains already offered you. You will find it to your advantage to look here before you buy. We now have 3 lots. All the goods in these lots are absolutely *at and below cost.*

Lot No. 1, all wool Novelties at 23c.
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It will be a long time before you will be able to get such rare bargains in COATS as we are now offering you. Remember we have put prices on all Coats that you cannot help but see when you are saving lots of money. Just take a look at them.

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We always sell the Best Wrappers you can buy for the money. We are now offering you for the Holiday trade a Special in this line. Here it is.

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We have a reputation for our linen. It is one we are justly proud of. Our stock is the finest you can imagine. Table linens, and napkins, and handkerchiefs in endless variety. We lay special stress on our display of Handkerchiefs, as they are the Finest in Bloomsburg in quality and lowest in price.

## Silverware.

This department has also had a going over. You know the the kind we sell. It is the best for the money, and the price is by far lower than we can match again. Goods we sold at $2 25 for each piece, viz., tea pot, sugar bowl, etc., now are marked at $1.50. Quality the same as it used to be.

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### A HANDSOME CALENDAR

Every subscriber who has paid in advance for THE COLUMBIAN will be presented with a handsome calendar for 1898, by mail. Every one who pays during December will also receive one. Those who come first will have several designs to select from. tf.

The first of the year is a good time to square up, and take a fresh start. Owing to carelessness on the part of some, and the hard times on the part of others, a much larger number of our subscribers than usual, have not paid for THE COLUMBIAN during the past year. Statements have been, and will be sent to all who are in arrears, and those who receive them are earnestly requested to make payment. Please do not lay them aside with the idea that any time will do. We need the money *now*.

A Farmer's institute will be held at Mausdale on January 12 and 13. The following prominent speakers will make addresses: J. A. Woodward, J. H. Peachy and Dr. Frear. J. K. Murry, who is the County Chairman, will gladly mail programs to all who request it.

Hannah Shannon, died at the home of William Shaw, her brother-in-law on West Street Monday morning. The deceased was about seventy-seven years old and had been confined to the house by ill health for a long time. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon.

Thos. B. Hanley, who has been engaged for some time past in the editorial department of the New York *Times*, has gone to Paris, in the interest of that paper. He will also furnish weekly letters for other New York papers.

The room on Main Street, now occupied by Charles Reice as a meat market, has been rented by W. H. Gilmore, who will open a toy store. Mr. Gilmore will take position April 1st.

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## BRIEF MENTION.

### About People You Know.

Will H. Brower went to Philadelphia on Tuesday.

W. B. Allen has returned home after a few week's stay at Wilkesbarre.

Mrs. Martin Frey of Wilkesbarre, is visiting her father Dr. Warner on Sixth Street.

Louis Bernard, Jr., of Scranton, visited his parents in town this week.

Fred Hoy of Buffalo, New York, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Miss Mable Peacock and Miss Mame Gruver are visiting in Reading this week.

Stephen Reice and Irvin Snyder left for Philadelphia on Sunday for a few days stay.

Carlton Caswell is home from Philadelphia, spending the holidays.

Oliver Kelley of Hazleton, visited his parents on Seventh Street over Christmas.

Carl Wirt, student at Harvard University, is at home for the holidays.

J. C. Weigand and wife of Wilkesbarre, Sundayed with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Fetterman.

Miss Pauline Wirt, who is attending a young ladies' school in New York, is spending her Christmas vacation at home.

John Gilbert and wife of Philadelphia visited at the home of William Webb in town over Christmas.

H. C. Hufnagle, a former resident of this town, now residing at Millgrove, was a visitor to town on Wednesday.

James Dougherty of Philadelphia, came up on Friday to spend Christmas with his parents in town.

G. W. Whitenight of Buckhorn, gave this office a pleasant call Wednesday and renewed his subscription.

Miss Anna Solleder visited her uncle Reuben Whitmire, at Wilkesbarre over Sunday.

Elmer Brugler of Philadelphia, is spending his holiday vacation with his mother and other relatives in town.

Miss Annie Woods, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Blair county for the past two months, returned home last week.

Arthur Ohl, who has been attending college at Collegeville, is spending his holiday vacation with his parents on Fifth Street.

R. R. Little and wife left on Monday for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the former will be treated for rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Eyer accompanied by their son Warren went to Danville and spent Christmas day with their daughter Mrs. Dr. Meredith.

Elwood and Willets Krug spent Christmas with their father, Chas. Krug. The former lives at Wilkesbarre and the latter at Peckville.

Warren W. Kramer, who for several years has been employed in Philadelphia, is now spending a week visiting his father, John W. Kramer.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

A telephone has been placed in this office.

Skating was very good on the canal Saturday and Monday.

Rev. H. C. Monroe of White Hall, conducted services in the Baptist Church on Sunday.

Christmas and the season of gift giving has passed and trade has again reassumed its wonted calm.

W. W. Crawford on Wednesday purchased a lot on corner of Wood and Penn Streets in the Neal addition. He will build at once.

The employees of the Furniture Factory each received a silk handkerchief as a Christmas present from Superintendent W. H. Slate.

Diseases often lurk in the blood before they openly manifest themselves. Therefore keep the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Leases that will collect the rent for the whole year if tenant leaves before expiration of term, also notices to quit, for sale at this office. tf.

Christmas passed off very quietly in town. The banks and business places were closed. Services in keeping with the occasion were held in several of the churches.

Mrs Elizabeth Gruver died at her home on Park Street Tuesday evening. A husband, Amos Gruver and one son survive. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

The Christmas number of the *Bellefonte Watchman* appeared in a handsome colored cover. The *Watchman* is one of the best and neatest printed weeklies that reaches our sanctum.

The population of Bloomsburg, today, according to the Williams Directory which is the result of a complete canvass, is 7373. This represents the number of people strictly within the town limits.

The gold mounted pen offered as a prize by the Nagle Drug Co., of Espy, to the person who could guess the nearest to the number of cough drops contained in a glass jar, was won by Samuel Shafler. His guess was 7015. The number in the jar was 7040.

Uriah Welliver, an old resident of Jerseytown died at his home at that place Tuesday morning. Death resulted from paralysis. He was a brother to Mrs. William Kreamer, who resides on Fourth Street this town.

The Harman & Hassert Car shops are not working this week.

Peter Hippensteel's farm in Mt. Pleasant township was disposed of at Orphans' Court sale on Friday last for $1700. Hervey Stauffer was the purchaser.

C. H. Campbell spent Tuesday fishing at Benscoter's lake, and caught twelve pike and one perch. The largest pike weighed 4 pounds and 2 ounces, and was 25 inches long.

On April 1st Louis Gross will move his clothing store from its present location into the room now occupied by H. W. Sloan. It is rumored that the latter intends going into business with another firm in town.

S. W. Mears will sell tomorrow at two o'clock the new barn and wagon shed situated on the Mears lot, corner of West and Fifth Street. The purchaser will be required to remove the barn within thirty days.

We have received a handsome calendar from J. H. Maize, agent for the American Fire Insurance Co. A picture of Betsey Ross sewing the first American flag at her home in Philadelphia 120 years ago adorns the top of the calendar.

The following letters are advertised Dec. 28th, 1897: Mr. Bruce Black, Miss Katherine Bennetts, Miss Myrtle Butler, Mr. W. B. Campion, Hon. George W. Creasy, Mrs. George W. Engle, Miss Prudie Miller. Cards: J. A. Gilmore, Mr. Harry Michlosky. Will be sent to the dead letter office Jan. 11th, 1898.

J. H. MERCER, P. M.

Rev. L. L. Sicher, a very successful and earnest Evangelist began a series of meetings in the Lutheran Church last evening. These meetings are intended to do good to glorify God and help to build up His Kingdom in this place. Therefore all are invited to come and worship with us. You shall be made welcome.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's Episcopal Church held its Christmas entertainment in the Church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock after which the children were treated to a turkey dinner in the Parish House. The expenses of the dinner were paid by the Sunday school and was given instead of a pound of candy to each member which has been the custom heretofore. The choir was also invited.

When two widows get mixed up there's going to be trouble or fun and complications are averted and fun dealt out by the bushel in the latest comedy success, "The Real Widow Brown." The ingenious complications of the plot are greatly enhanced by appropriate and tasteful costuming, brilliant music and clever acting. Opera House Jany. 4.

P. Solleder & Co. is the place to buy your shoe making outfits cheap. Have just received 2 large barrels of Patent Reversible Iron Stands of four different styles. A large stock of sole leather, strips of leather, cut soles, hammers, knives, clinch nails, cement, threads, etc. Wholesale and Retail at Rock Bottom prices.

12-16-3t.

Alexander C. Jackson, son of C. B. Jackson Esq. of Berwick, was admitted to the bar on Monday, after passing an excellent examination. He is a young man of high attainments, a college graduate, and the grandson of the late M. E. Jackson Esq., who for many years stood among the leaders of the Columbia County bar with such men as Hurley, Clark, Comley, and Baldy now deceased, and Buckalew who has retired from practice, and Col. Freeze, who is the only one of that school of lawyers still engaged actively in his profession.

**Wasting in Children**

**can be overcome in almost all cases by the use of Scott's Emulsion of Cod-Liver Oil and the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. While it is a scientific fact that cod-liver oil is the most digestible oil in existence, in**

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**it is not only palatable, but it is already digested and made ready for immediate absorption by the system. It is also combined with the hypophosphites, which supply a food not only for the tissues of the body, but for the bones and nerves, and will build up the child when its ordinary food does not supply proper nourishment.**

Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper.

All druggists; 50c. and $1.00.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

J. E. ROYS.

**Christmas Offerings.**

What is more beautiful or more precious than something useful in toilet articles mounted with

**STERLING SILVER,**

or some piece of jewelry engraved with a beautiful monogram. There is truly nothing that will take its place or fill the heart with greater pleasure and gratitude. Don't fail to see our magnificent assortment. We carry only the finest and positively reliable goods. All articles hand engraved without extra charge.

J. E. ROYS.

Jeweler and Optician.

Extensive preparations are being made for the Farmers' Institute which is to be held in the Opera House at Catawissa on Thursday and Friday, January 6 and 7. Hon. J. T. Rothrock, Commissioner of Forestry of Pennsylvania, will give one of his celebrated illustrated lectures on the forests of Pennsylvania. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Died at Orangeville Nov. 26th 1897 Benjamin Wertman aged 81 years, 2 months and 15 days, leaves two daughters Mrs. Geo. F. Kindt and Sarah who took care of her father since her mother's death 25 years ago.

Again our hearts are bowed with grief
Our tears in sorrow flow
A loving father now is called
To leave this world of woe.

The home is sad and lonely now
For there's his vacant chair
For we who loved our father dear
Would always find him there.

His children now are weeping
For their father they loved so well
But they know that he's in Heaven
Where he can love them still.

### ATTENTION.

Comrades and friends of the G. A. R. there will be public installation of the Officers of Pealer Post No. 435 G. A. R. at their Hall at Orangeville January 1st., 1898, at 2 o'clock P. M., sharp. After installation oysters will be served at 20 cents per dish, everybody invited. By order of the Committee.

### BIRCH—VANDINE.

The home of C. E. Vandine was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday when his daughter Minnie was married to Joseph Berch, of this town. The groom's brother, Rev. Bruce Berch, performed the ceremony.

### Temperance Mass Meeting.

The churches of town will unite next Sunday afternoon, Jan. 2, at 2:30 o'clock in a temperance Mass meeting to be held in the Opera House. There will be good singing and several interesting speeches. All friends of the church and all friends of temperance are earnestly invited to be present.

### CHADWICK—WANICH.

Arthur J. Chadwick and Miss Martha Wanich were married at the residence of the bride's parents Tuesday evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. C. Conner of the Methodist Church and was witnessed by a large number of invited guests. Miss Cora Hagenbuch presided at the organ. The bridesmaid was Miss Eva Wanich, sister of the bride. Ray Nuss was best man. At the conclusion of the ceremony, a wedding supper was served. The bride received many beautiful presents.

### Methodist Episcopal Church.

The regular Love Feast Service will be held Wednesday evening Dec. 29, at 7:30 o'clock. The annual Watch-night service will be held Friday evening Dec. 31, at 10:00 o'clock. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered next Sunday Jan. 2, at both the morning and evening services. The special revival services will begin on Sunday next and be held every night, except Saturday night, until notice is given to the contrary. All Christians are earnestly asked to pray for these meetings and everybody is cordially invited to attend them.

**HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.**

# Holiday Buying

Is nearly over. To those who have deferred buying as yet we say come to this store, you will find many useful articles suitable for gift giving and at moderate prices.

## Dress Goods.

These are always acceptable, and make useful gifts. You will find our lines quite complete.

50 in. all wool Suitings, 50c yd.
45 in. Black Figures, all wool, 75c yd.
38 in. Black Mohairs, 50c yd.
48 in. Fine Mohairs, $1.00 yd.

## Handkerchiefs.

All the newest effects in Handkerchiefs are here for your approval at little prices.

4 Embroidered Hdkfs. for 25c.
3 " " " 50c.
See our 25 and 50c lines.

## Coats and Capes

Always acceptable gifts. We have greatly reduced the prices on these goods. You should see them.

Silk lined Boucle Coats, $6.00.
Double Capes, braid trimmed, $1.98.
Misses' Beaver Coats, $2.98.

## Umbrellas.

New lines on sale, the very latest styles, both in ladies' and gents'. Just the article for a gift. You should see them.

## A Merry Christmas To All.

Read over this list—it may help you in buying.
We show good lines of the following:—

Ostrich boas, fur collarettes, feather boas, mufflers, mittens, kid gloves; hosiery for ladies, gents and children: underwear, dressing sacques of eiderdown, gents' canes, neckties, ribbons, pocketbooks, card cases, hair and cloth brushes, fancy baskets, clothes hampers, silverware at reduced prices, cut glass, knitted skirts, wool skirts, separate dress skirts, lace curtains, derby curtains, table covers, fur floor rugs, framed pictures, table linens, towels, napkins, counterpanes, lunch cloths, umbrellas, silks for waists, dress patterns, coats, capes, medallions, cuff buttons, jewelry, small china at reduced prices, lamps at reduced prices, Colgate's fine extracts, handkerchiefs of all kinds, men's shirts, black dress goods, colored dress goods, wood stools, jardiniere stands, umbrella stands and many other articles.

## H. J. CLARK & SON.

# I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

**MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.**

A good many people come in on the home run and wait until the two last days to make Christmas purchases.

On Thursday and Friday you will want to come to our store to see the crowd.

Our tables have been almost entirely changed since last week. Many new articles have been opened. The dishes have been re-arranged to fill up vacant places, and those who have not been in before will not know any changes.

The best dishes always sell first, but our stock was so large that many extra nice ones are still here, and you can find prices to suit your purse.

Some are buying Capes, Coats, Blankets and dress goods for presents.

Some are buying Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Boas, and Collarettes for a present.

Some are buying fruit dishes, celery dishes, rose bowls, vases, cracker jars, cup and saucers, etc., for a present.

Some are buying gloves, kid mitts, laces, neckties, etc., for a present.

Some are buying toy beds, cradles, horses, cars, goats, cats, washboards, pianos, etc., for a present.

(See the west window for them.

Last week we managed to interest a good sized crowd, and in return they interested us by carrying away many packages. This week we expect to double the number, both in people and packages.—SEE—SEE.

(Store closed all day Saturday.)

**I. W. HARTMAN & SON.**

# XMAS PRESENTS

**Christmas Presents.** **Christmas Presents.**

The place to buy them is at

## HESS BROS,

Who are now ready with the finest and largest stock we have ever exhibited. We have

DIAMONDS,

Solid Gold, Gold Filled, Silver and Nickle Watches;

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**QUADRUPLE PLATE AND STERLING SILVERWARE.**

The very latest and newest decorations in

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Wood, Leather, Celluloid and Plush Manicure, Toilet, Shaving and Dressing cases. Albums, Mirrors, Bibles, Books, Purses, Pocketbooks, Folding Pocket Kodaks, Cameras, &c., &c.

Now is the time to buy, as the early customers get the best selection. Goods engraved free.

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—TELEPHONE—

### A NEW-YEAR THOUGHT.

Well, here's the New Year come again—the old one's gone at last.
Poor Ninety-seven we'll see no more; its vanished in the past.
But on the whole, I think it's been a pretty good old year,
And ever in my memory I'll hold it close and dear.

'Tis true it didn't bring me much I hadn't had before;
Anxiety from start to end was sitting at my door.
But, as I think it over, all the troubles that were mine
Were not brought on by ninety-seven, but of my own design.

Men blame the years in which they've woes, and possibly they're right.
I do not say that they are wrong, or that they speak from spite,
I only know what I do think, and that's enough for me;
I have no proper right to blame the folks who disagree.

Yet I can bear my witness of the things that I believe,
And I will do it truly, with no wishing to deceive—
That whether years be good or ill no man should e'er condemn,
Because that which those years become is what we make of them.

And though old ninety-seven has brought me quite a deal of woe,
I thank it that I've kept alive and able still to "go."
And as I've no reforms in view, I wish it understood
I only hope this new one will turn out one half as good.—Harper's Bazaar.

## A NEW YEAR EPISODE

BY HELEN A. MORTON.

South Walton, was as new and cheap and crude as the substantial old town of Walton, of which it was an offshoot, was sober, dignified and respectable. New streets, rough and unfinished, ran at right angels with the railroad track, and were lined on either side with pretentious little dwelling-houses, which had heavy looking round towers out of all proportion with the buildings which they were supposed to adorn, but which they only vulgarized and cheapened.

The few public buildings were huddled about the railroad station, and were as plain as the dwelling-houses were ornate, but had the same air of newness.

One of the plainest of these was directly opposite the station. It was a big, box-like structure, two stories high, just primed over with an ugly reddish yellow paint, through which the coarse nails and the pencilings of the lumber dealer were plainly visible.

There was a narrow hall through the building, unlighted save by a glass transom over the door, and a window at the extreme end.

On one side of the door was the post-office; on the other the South Walton branch of the Walton public library, and the inevitable laundry office and small-wares store combined.

A modest tin sign on the left-hand door post informed the public that "E. Nelson, M. D." had an office on the second floor, and the same name appeared in larger letters over the rough piazza, between two windows on the right. The shades at these windows were a soft ecru, and the windows themselves were bright and clean. In marked contrast to those in the lawyer's office across the hall.

The people at South Walton were somewhat slow, at first, to accept Doctor Nelson, on account of her sex; but Walton was four miles away; those who consulted her because she was at hand did so afterward because they believed in her; then they spoke of her to their friends, and so it came to pass that three months after her first appearance in the place, she had a very respectable showing of names upon her books.

Now all this promised well for the future prosperity of Doctor Elaine Nelson, but such prospective success did not materially alter the fact that New Year's Day found her in the unenviable position of a person with her last dollar in her pocket. She was an orphan; her nearest relative was a half brother, now in the West, and as he had not approved of her choice of a profession she was too proud to appeal to him for aid. The thousand and one expenses, little and great, of moving and settling in this, her first practice; some bills contracted during her year of hospital work, the rent and incidental expenses of her life at South Walton, had reduced to this what had seemed at the outset money enough to last at least six months, in case she had no patients for that length of time.

She tried to joke about her plight to herself. She had bridged over many a rough spot in her path by persistently looking at the humorous side, but it was hard to see any chance for a joke on this occasion.

Who could be jovial on the eve of the New Year if in a strange town, with no relatives within a thousand miles; with only bread and butter and an egg in the larder, and only a dollar in one's pocket?

Certainly not Doctor Nelson, although she made a brave attempt, saying to herself.—

"Well, one can't starve on bread and milk, and there's coffee and that egg. I only hope it won't prove a bad one. Even if no patient comes in between now and to-morrow, I still have my dollar; I can't starve, though I shall of course be lonely. I am glad I have that dollar. To think of beginning the year with gnawing hunger biting at my digestive organs, and my birthday, too! I had quite forgotten that. Well, I can't freeze, fortunately, in this steam-heated house. I really must eat that egg for supper. I'm so tired of bread and butter, and I shall surely have some office call before night."

But the evening wore away, and no one called except the postman with a letter from her half-brother. This is what she read:

"Dear Elaine:—I sent your birthday present by express a day or two ago. Hope you'll like it. Thought it safer not to prepay the expressage. Hope you are doing well. No news. All send love. Hoping to hear from you soon,

"Your affectionate brother,
"JOHN P. NELSON."

A cold perspiration broke out all over her as she read. Suppose that express bill should be more than a dollar!

The night was long and wakeful, but New Year's morning dawned at last, cold and gray and dreary. The expressman came bright and early, with a big box and a charge of eighty-five cents, which she paid, thankful that it was no more.

Doctor Nelson's suite of rooms consisted of her office, a sleeping-room, and a little back room, hardly larger than a good-sized closet, which she used for storage, and where she prepared her simple meals. She ate her breakfast in the office before office hours; her lunch and supper in her chamber for fear of callers. The rooms were prettily and tastefully fitted up, and a marked contrast to the outside of the building. With a little more money she might have been very happy there.

Before getting breakfast she opened the big box. It contained a beautiful fur cape. She had needed and wanted one, but she looked at it rather apathetically. She felt strangely weak and faint. When one considers that coffee, bread and butter and an occasional egg had been her bill of fare for a week or so, it is not surprising. Any one who has tried that way of living will readily understand the situation and sympathize with Elaine.

Finally she made her coffee, spread a little table neatly, toasted her bread, and sat down to her simple meal.

She tried to think of pleasant things; to be thankful for shelter—for warmth; but she could only think of the past with sadness, and of the future with increasing doubt and misgiving. Her meagre fare reminded her by force of contrast of the breakfast they used to have in her old home in her father's lifetime. She remembered that there was often some homeless man or woman invited to share the meal with them. How far away it seemed—that happy time. How incredible it would have sounded then had some one said that in the year of grace 1896, she, too, would be fatherless, homeless and hungry.

The tears came to her eyes as she pictured her father's anguish could he know how lonely, how utterly friendless, she felt. Ah, how she hoped he could not know! It would spoil even heaven for him—the dear, loving father, whose loss she could never cease to mourn. She felt that she could not eat, after all; so she drank her cup of coffee, lay down upon the couch, and with her eyes fixed upon the new cape, fell into a state of dreamy apathy.

"It must have cost at least seventy-five dollars," she found herself thinking.

She glanced at a diamond ring upon her finger—another of John's gifts. A new fur cape, diamonds, and only fifteen cents to buy dinner! She laughed in a weak, hysterical fashion as the grim sarcasm of the situation occurred to her, and then relapsed into her listless musing, forgetting the untouched breakfast and the lapse of time, although the clock struck eight and then the half-hour.

Presently, however, the door opened and an old farmer, whose wife was one of her patients, came bustling in.

"Good-morning, doctor, good-morning," he cried cheerily. "I had to come to the village for some cranb'r'ys—mother told me to get 'em yesterday but I forgot, and we couldn't have turkey without cranb'r'ys, you know! And mother says, 'Pa I wish you'd stop and pay the doctor's bill. I hate to owe anybody New Year's Day.' 'All right, mother,' said I, 'and spos'n I ask her to come home to dinner with me? She ain't got any folks, and we ain't got any, for 'tain't likely Horace can come home.' Horace's my son, who lives way out in Minneapolis. So put on your bonnet, doctor, and come right along with me. We're plain sort of folks, but we will give you a warm welcome."

He stopped suddenly, for Elaine's nerve had deserted her at last, and she covered her face with her hands and burst into tears.

Over the bowed head the old man glanced at the little table with its slices of toast, its empty coffee cup, and unused plate and knife and fork, and a sudden comprehension made his keen gray eyes misty.

"There, there, my dear!" he said huskily, as he gently stroked the pretty brown hair. "Don't cry. I can't bear to have you do that. You're about the age my girl would be if she had lived, and——"

He could say no more, and coughed to hide his emotion.

"I hope you will pardon me," said Elaine, recovering herself with an effort. "I——"

"There, don't you say a word! I understand. You're homesick, having no folks round here. It's natural," said the farmer with ready tact. "Just put on this pretty fur thing and we will leave the office to take care of itself. Folks won't want you till to-morrow," he said with a chuckle at the timeworn joke. "Oh, and here's the money. I almost forgot that, after all."

Although virtue is said to be its own reward, a more tangible return for benefits conferred seldom comes amiss, and Mr. Hastings felt in a vague way rewarded for his forethought in remembering the doctor's loneliness when, on reaching home, his eyes were gladdened by the sight of the big, broad-shouldered son who was his pride and joy; who was "Professor Hastings" in the city of his adoption, but would never be anything but our boy "Horace" to the dear old people on the farm.

Professor Hastings had arrived during his father's absence in the village. If he was in the least surprised to see the latter drive up with a stylish-looking young lady by his side he did not show it, but his quick eye did notice that no package was forthcoming from the ample sleigh. Remembering his father's incurable absent-mindedness, and having been told his errand, after the usual introductions had taken place and he had escorted Doctor Nelson in doors, he said with a twinkle in his eye,—

"Father, where are the cranberries?"

A comical look of dismay spread over the latter's face as he said,—

"I declare if I didn't forget 'em again! Jump in, Horace, and we'll go back. It ain't ten o'clock and I'll have 'em yet—with your help!"

The old people were happy beyond their expectation in having their son at home. Elaine was enjoying her first real homelike holiday for four long years; and as for Professor Hastings, when he was not tormenting himself with speculations as to whether that diamond ring of the doctor's was an engagement token, he was happy in dreams of the future time when he might and did persuade her to wear a plain gold one, and the name of Hastings.—Waverly Magazine.

### New Year Superstitions.

The superstitions connected with New-Year's are many, and not only harmless, but interesting. For instance, no one must put on anything that is soiled, and, if possible, wear everything new. You must not cut your hair or your nails, and on no account wear a torn garment. If you should be so unfortunate as to put on the left shoe first, or a garment on wrong side, you must undress, even to the taking down of your hair, and dress all over again. It is very bad luck to be late to breakfast, and worse luck still to stumble or fall, unless it be upstairs, in which case do not look behind you, whatever you do. On retiring, place something higher than the bed beside it, on which you can step when you arise in the morning, so that you may take your first step upward. Be the first to speak to the cook, if you can. To have a basket of eggs or a box of oranges brought to the house unexpectedly during the day is great good luck. The salt-cellars must be clean and full, the bread basket well supplied, and money in your purse, and the purse in your pocket. Whatever you start to do on New Year's Day you must finish, or else you will half do all the year. It is also a custom to light a candle at sundown on the 31st of December and keep it burning until the new year is fairly started. It is a very ill omen to have a fire go out with the old year. The finding of money is good if the money is spent for other than the person finding it. And almost any love sign is propitious at this time if there should chance to be a new or a full moon on the 31st of December or the 1st of January.

### A Resolution.

As hypocrisy is the tribute which vice pays to virtue, so the mere making of a resolution implies the knowledge of wrong, and of a right exceeding wrong; and to make a determination to discard the wrong is already one step toward embracing the right—is, in fact, embracing it—is, while being the resolve, also the carrying out of the resolve, however little way. The resolve is the outcome of the best part of one's nature; the not keeping it is one's weakness only.

### Singing Lessons for Policemen.

In Stockholm the policeman's lot is a happy one. He must first pass an extensive examination, but when that is over he wears a handsome uniform and occupies quarters provided with fine furniture, hot and cold baths and a piano with free singing lessons. The Swedish police system of telephones and electric bells is hardly equalled anywhere else in the world.

### Some Friends.

"Dah is some friends," said Uncle Eben, "dat is like de rainbow. Dey looks fine an' bends polite, but dey's gone when de sun ain't shinin'."—Washington Star.

### PA'S POINT OF VIEW.

Bobby—Pop, what is a bachelor?
Henpeck—A very lucky and much-to-be-envied man, Bobby.

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We also have a large assortment of CONFECTIONERY in nice boxes and in bulk. Sunday Schools preparing for Christmas festivals should get our prices.

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A large lot of Window Curtains in stock.

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FOUR FOR A FORTUNE By ALBERT LEE — is a stirring narrative of four companions who have located a long lost fortune.
THE COPPER PRINCESS By KIRK MUNROE — It is in the bowels of the earth where the hero has his adventures, and from where he rescues the Princess.
SHORT FICTION
In addition to the three long serial stories, the publication of which will continue during the entire year, there will be short stories of every kind, of which it is only possible to mention a few titles here.
Hunt, the Owler By STANLEY J. WEYMAN
The Blockaders By JAMES BARNES
A Harbor Mystery By JOHN R. SPEARS
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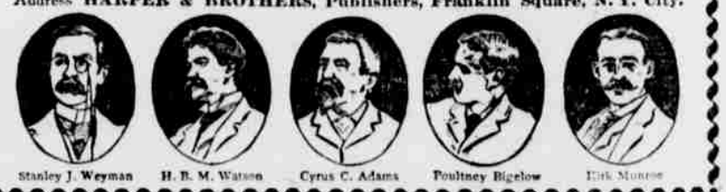
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Counterfeit Money.

The country is flooded with circular letters to parties conveying a proposition for them to handle a quality of counterfeit money that is alleged to be indetectable. If anybody is foolish enough to bite he will, no doubt, be afforded ample time to regret it during a term of solitary confinement in the Western Penitentiary.

Try the COLUMBIAN a year.

## THEATRE-GOING IN JAPAN.

**A Law Prohibiting a Performance to be Longer Than Eight Hours.**

It will interest many to hear that the Japanese laws now prohibit theatrical performance lasting more than eight hours. The plays in the first-class theatres begin at 10 or 11, and are not ended until after sunset. There are intervals, of course, for refreshments, and a recent innovation is a theatre yard for exercise, lined with eating booths and fancy stalls. Boxes are secured three or four days beforehand from a neighboring tea house, where arrangements are made for attendance and refreshments during the day. Full dress is never worn.

The following articles, unless otherwise ordered, are brought to each patron: A programme, a cushion, a tobacco fire-box, a pot of tea, cakes, fruit and sushi, a sort of rice dumpling flavored with vinegar and topped with a piece of fish. Valuables may be left at the tea house, and the inclusive charge, excepting the waiter's tip, is not more than 1.80 yen a head. The gallery is the most aristocratic place, but the space unreserved, occupied by the Japanese "gods," is quaintly called "the deaf gallery."—Westminster Gazette.

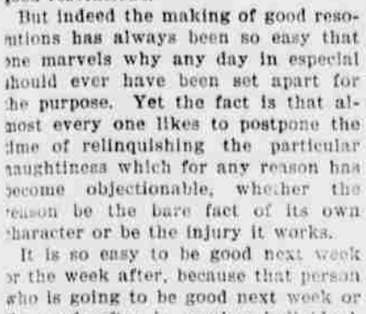
**New Year's.**

From time immemorial the new year has been the season for fresh and good resolutions.

But indeed the making of good resolutions has always been so easy that one marvels why any day in especial should ever have been set apart for the purpose. Yet the fact is that almost every one likes to postpone the time of relinquishing the particular naughtiness which for any reason has become objectionable, whether the reason be the bare fact of its own character or be the injury it works.

It is so easy to be good next week or the week after, because that person who is going to be good next week or the week after is another individual, the person of that time another person, not one's self, not the person of this time. It is so difficult to say, Now, now, now is the time to leave off! because the person whom "Now" addresses is one's self, and experiences the whole bitterness of the renunciation. And for this reason we may observe that usually the time for carrying the good resolve into effect is seldom this moment or this day, but is always among the tomorrows; and thus uncounted good resolutions are made in any part of the last year, the time for their budding into action being always left for the first day of the new year.

## "HOT FAVORITES."



**Had Daniel Webster Down Fine.**

Some years ago an Eastern farmer, in trying to repeat Webster's dying words, "I still live," gave an amusing rendering of the spirit, if not the exact letter of the phrase. A gentleman had remarked to him, "Life is very uncertain." "Ah, yes," replied the farmer, "that's true, every word of it; and, by the way, Captain, that makes me think of what one of your big Massachusetts men said when he died a spell ago."

"Who was it?" inquired the Captain.

"Well, I don't jist call his name now, but at any rate he was a big politician-er, and lived near Boston somewhere. My newspaper said that when he died the Boston folks put his image in their windows and had a funeral for a whole day."

"Perhaps it was Webster," suggested the Captain.

"Yes, that's his name! Webster. General Webster. Strange I could not think on it afore. But he got off a good thing just before he died. He riz up in bed and says he, 'I ain't dead yet!' "—Gum Bog.

**Clocks all Agree.**

Brussels has a very complete system of time service which the merchants use generally, and one cannot go anywhere without being faced with the exact time. There are 451 electric clocks in service, all governed by the master clock, which in this case is the town clock. Each minute all the hands of the clocks in the circuit are advanced one minute by the action of a current impulse sent out by the master clock. The cost of the service is $25 for the initial installation, but after that the yearly cost is only about $2.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

**Another New Pledge.**

Jiggs—You know what I swore off last New Year's?

Biggs—Yes; you swore off swearing off.

Jiggs—That's right. Well, this year I've sworn off swearing off swearing off. But blame me if I can figure out how I stand in it.

**Need of Haste.**

"Do you think you can support my daughter, Mr. Scoter?"

"Yes—if we are married right away, sir," answered the young man. "I can't stand the expenses of a long engagement, though, sir."—Harper's Bazar.

## Chestnut Street Bank of Philadelphia Closes its Doors.

The financial circles of Philadelphia were greatly excited on Thursday morning of last week when the news became current that the Chestnut Street National Bank of that city had closed its doors.

Great excitement prevailed and when it became known generally throngs of depositors and others flocked to the building all anxious to know the cause of the suspension.

The failure occurring as it did on the day before Christmas, was a hard blow at the business in the city. A little later in the day it was learned that the Chestnut Street Trust Company had also failed.

William M. Singerly, editor of the *Record*, and late Democratic nominee for Governor is the president of both institutions.

A plan looking to the interest of creditors has been hit upon. They are to take half in cash and half in *Record* printing company stock.

When bilious or costive, eat a Cascaret, candy catharic, cure guaranteed. 10c, 25c. 4-11.

The Mormon, like satan, cannot entirely conceal his cloven hoof. It will peep out and belie the most saintly face he can wear. Witness the advice given by "President" Woodruff at the semi-annual conference of the Mormons. It is to be remembered that in spite of protestations of loyalty to the United States a majority of the Mormon connection are yet as much under the thumb of the priesthood as they ever were. The significance of the following remarks of old Woodruff will therefore be understood: "God Almighty requires you to unite in your temple work and unite in your politics. You should unite to elect your city council and also all your state officials. You must put aside your Democracy and Republicanism and as Latter Day Saints unite, and you will not be taxed to death." The Mormons will bear watching yet for a generation.

**What do the Children Drink?**

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called Grain O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain O is made of pure grains, and tastes like choice coffee but costs about ¼ the price. All grocers sell it. 15c and 25c.

## Rush of Freight.

**All Lines Crowded and Men Making Good Wages.**

Men who know anything about railroad affairs say that the present immense freight movement is the largest and most continuous rush in years. All the roads entering this city are still doing a big business and the Reading has been compelled to put on an extra crew to help take care of the trains on the Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburg road. The daily movement on this single track branch averages from 400 to 500 cars per day and has run up above 700. Most of this traffic is east bound, although some heavy coal shipments have been sent west. The local freight on the Reading is also very heavy and shows a big advance on all branches over last year.

Both divisions of the "Pennsy" are crowded with freight, although the Philadelphia division, as usual, is doing the largest business on account of the many "feeders," which contribute to the "Pennsy" at this point. Extra men on that part of the road are now making bigger wages than the regular men did last year at this time. Some of them are ahead of the month in the number of days worked.

On the Middle division it was found necessary to hire new firemen for road running. Freight is exceedingly heavy at Marysville and several days ago the tracks were blocked with cars from this city to Duncannon. Some of the trainmen are making big extra time.

The Northern Central has all the work it can do and is now employing about twenty brakemen at Marysville. Trainmen run as high as eight to ten days a week.—*Harrisburg Patriot.*

—The Berks County Grand Jury has recommended that the Commissioners erect a monument in memory of the county's dead soldiers and sailors.

—The will of William Appleby, who died recently in Chester, bequeaths $1000 to the hospital and $3000 to St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, in that city.

**Great Music Offer.**

Send us the names and addresses of three or more performers on the piano or organ together with ten cents in silver or postage and we will mail you sixteen pages full sheet music, consisting of popular songs, waltzes, marches, etc., arranged for the piano and organ. Address: POPULAR Music Co. Indianapolis, Ind. tf

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the members of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horticultural and Mechanical Association for the election of officers will be held in the Court House, Bloomsburg, Pa., on Saturday, January 15, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m.

A. N. YOST, Secretary.

Dec. 30, 1897, 1t.

## AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of the County of Columbia, to distribute the balance in the hands of the executors of O. A. Jacoby, late of the town of Bloomsburg, in said county, deceased, upon the final account of said executors, will meet the parties interested for the performance of his duties, at his office in the town of Bloomsburg, on Saturday the 23d day of January, A. D., 1898, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, when and where all persons are required to present their claims against the estate of said decedent or be debarred from coming in for a share of the assets or fund.

CHARLES G. BARKLEY, Auditor.

Dec. 30, '97, 3t.

## AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

*Estate of James Johnson, Deceased.*

The undersigned Auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the administrator, to and among the parties legally entitled thereto, will sit at the office of W. H. Snyder, Esq., in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday, January 24, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all parties having claims against said funds, must appear and prove the same, or be debarred from any share thereof.

12-30-4t. G. M. QUICK, Auditor.

## SATISFACTION OF A MORTGAGE.

To the Honorable Judges of the Court of Common pleas of Columbia County.

The petition of Christian L. Moore of Benton, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, respectfully represents:

That on the 26th day of June, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, a certain mortgage was executed and delivered by him to Jno. C. Hess and Leah, his wife, of Willow Creek township, Lee county, and state of Illinois, on a messuage and tract of land situate in Sugarloaf township, Columbia county and state of Pennsylvania, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: beginning at a post thence by land of William Herlinger south twenty-three degrees, west eighty-one perches and six-tenths to a post, thence by land of Joshua Brink south sixty-seven degrees east one hundred and four perches and eight-tenths to stones, thence south three quarters of a degree, west fifty-six perches to stones thence by land of Rebecca Vandersilice, south eighty eight and three-quarter degrees, east thirty-five perches and three-tenths to a post, thence by land of George Moore north one and a half degrees, east one hundred and thirty-one perches to a post, thence by lands of Jno. Moore, north sixty-seven and a half degrees, west one hundred and eleven perches and three-tenths to the place of beginning containing seventy-two acres forty-seven and two-tenths perches of land with allowances of six per cent for roads, to secure the payment of four certain bonds or writings obligatory dated the day and year aforesaid conditioned for the payment unto the said Jno. C. Hess and Leah, his wife, of two hundred and two dollars and eighty-eight cents as follows, to wit: one hundred dollars on the first day of July next ensuing the date hereof, thirty-two dollars and fifty cents on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, thirty one dollars and thirty cents on the first day of April A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty two with lawful interest from their dates, and the fourth bond for the payment of thirty-nine dollars after the death of their mother Susanna Moore, with interest thereon which said morigage is recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in Columbia county in mortgage book No. 4, pages 353 and 354. The petition further represents that judgement was confessed for the debt and interest on the three first above mentioned bonds as appears of record in the court of common pleas of Columbia county to No. 104 september term 1862, and that said judgment was satisfied on the said record for debt, interest and cost, on the thirty-first day of August, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three. The petition further represents that the said Susanna Moore, mentioned in said mortgage, died on about the 18th day of September A. D., 1-83, and that the said bond of thirty-nine dollars with interest thereon payable after the death of Susanna Moore has been paid in full and the said mortgagees above named are still the legal holders thereof and have neglected to satisfy the same, he prays the court to make an order that notice of these facts may be given to the said Jno. C. Hess and Leah Hess his wife, or their executors, administrators, or assigns requiring them to appear at a time to be fixed by the said court and answer this petition, and if the said mortgagees cannot be found, then to make such furtner order in reference to publication of notice as is required by act of assembly in such case made and provided, and after such notice given to order satisfaction to be entered on the record of the said mortgage.

And he will ever pray &c.

CHRISTIAN L. MOORE.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, } ss.
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA, }

Christian L. Moore being duly sworn according to law says that the facts set forth in the above petition are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of December, A. D. 1897.

SAMUEL S. HARVEY, NOTARY PUBLIC.

And now Dec. 27th, 1897, after reading said petition and considering the facts therein, the sheriff of Columbia county is directed to serve a notice stating the facts set forth in said petition, on the parties or their legal representatives, if to be found in the county, and if the parties aforesaid cannot be found in said county, then the sheriff shall give public notice as aforesaid in one newspaper within said county once a week for four weeks successively prior to the next term of court requiring the said parties to appear at said term and answer the petition as aforesaid.

BY THE COURT.

A true and correct copy.

W. H. HENRIE, PROTHY.

In accordance with the foregoing, the parties named are required to appear at the Court of Common Pleas, to be held at Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday, February 7, 1898, to answer said petition.

J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

12 30 4t

## ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

—OF VALUABLE—

# REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order, issued out of the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, Pa., the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Wm. Rohrbach, late of Franklin township, deceased, will expose to public sale, on the premises of said decedent, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 1898,

at 1:30 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, situate in Franklin township, Columbia County, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit:

PURPART NO. 1.—Beginning at a stone corner of Samuel Shuler's land, in the middle of the public road, leading from the Swamp School House to Roaringcreek; thence by land of Samuel Shuler, north 66 degrees, west 13 and 8-10 perches to a post; thence by the same north 57 degrees, west 7 and 5-10 perches to a post; thence by the same north, 2 degrees, east 9 and 1-10 perches to a stone; thence by the same north, 82¾ degrees, west 16 and 1-10 perches to a post; thence by the same 34¾ degrees, west 18 and 8-10 perches to a stone; thence by the same north 9 degrees, west 8 and 3-10 perches to a stone; thence by the same north 14 degrees, west 4 and 7-10 perches to a stone; thence by the same, and across Big Roaringcreek, north 28 degrees, east 8 perches to a stone, on the north bank of said creek, and in line of Sylvester Hower's land; thence down the creek, by the said Sylvester Hower's land north 54¾ degrees, west 14 and 3-10 perches to a post; thence by the same north 56 degrees, west 9 and 7-10 perches to a post; thence by the same north 64 degrees, west 9 and 3-10 perches; thence by the same north 11 degrees, west 10 perches to a post; thence by the same north 32 degrees, west 11 and 5-10 perches to a post; thence by the same north 38¾ degrees, west 15 and 5-10 perches to a post, in line dividing land of Sylvester Hower and L. D. Rohrbach; thence by land of the said L. D. Rohrbach, south 6¾ degrees, west 24 and 5-10 perches to a stone; thence by the same north 21 degrees, west 13 perches (more or less) to a stone; thence by the same south 3¼ degrees, west 37½ perches to a post, in line dividing land of L. D. Rohrbach and Aaron Loreman; thence by the said Aaron Loreman south 76 degrees, east 5 perches to a hemlock, on the west bank of the south branch of Roaring Creek; thence by the said Aaron Loreman south 30 degrees, west 19 perches; thence by the same south 13 and 6-10 perches; thence by the same south 27 degrees, west 11 and 8-10 perches; thence by the same south 79½ degrees, west 31 perches; thence by land of S. D. Loreman and J. T. Ashworth south 1 degree, west 64 and 7-10 perches (more or less) to a stake in the middle of the public road, leading from Catawissa to Elysburg; thence through the middle of said road south 77½ degrees, east 13 perches; thence by the same north 88 degrees, east 8 perches; thence by the same north 81 degrees, east 8 perches; thence by the same north 65 degrees, east 6 perches; thence by the same north 80 degrees, east 8 perches; thence by land of Peter H. Vought north 72 degrees, east 22 and 8-10 perches to a butternut tree; thence by the said Peter H. Vought south 56 degrees, east 60 and 8-10 perches to a post; thence by the same south 76½ degrees, east 65 perches to a chestnut oak; thence by the same and land of Wm. Artley north 1 degree, east 45 and 2-10 perches to the public school house lot; thence by the same north 89 degrees, west 8 perches; thence by the same north 1 degree, east 10 perches; thence by the same south 89 degrees, east 6 perches to line of Wm. Artley's land; thence by the same and land of D. A. Munson north 1 degree, east 30 and 3-10 perches to the place of beginning, containing

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PURPART NO. 2.—Situate in Franklin township, Columbia county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone corner of Christian Teitsworth's land, adjoining land of Francis Ely; thence by land of the said Francis Ely north 12 degrees, west 23 and 6-10 perches to a stone; thence by land of the same south 87¼ degrees, east 8 and 9-10 perches to a post, near a small hemlock; thence by land of John Llewellyn north 23¾ degrees, east 96 perches to a stone (formerly a pine knot), in line of Peter H. Vought's land; thence by land of the said Peter H. Vought north 86¾ degrees, west 52 and 1-10 perches to the west side of the South Branch of Roaring Creek, adjoining land of David Reeder; thence up the west side the South Branch of Roaring Creek, at low water mark, its various courses, 103 perches to a post also a corner of David Reeder's land; thence by land of the said David Reeder south 43¾ degrees west 16 and 2-10 perches to a post; thence by the same south 15¾ degrees, west 4 and 9-10 perches to a post, at the north side of the public road, leading from Elysburg to Bear Gap; thence up said road south 78 degrees, east 19 and 3-10 perches to the place of beginning, containing

27¾ ACRES

strict measure.

TERMS OF SALE.—Ten per cent. of one-fourth of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property; the one-fourth less the ten per cent. at the confirmation of sale; and the remaining three-fourths in one year thereafter, with interest from confirmation nisi.

L. D. ROHRBACH, Adm'r.

W. H. SNYDER, Atty.

12-23-4t.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of writ of alias Fi. Fa. and Vend. Ex. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pa., and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1897.

at 2 o'clock, P. M. all that certain piece, parcel or lot of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County and State of Pennsylvania at the south-east corner of Ninth Street and an extension of Iron Street, thence along said Ninth Street north sixty-five degrees and fifty minutes east, three hundred feet to lands lately laid out and sold by O. A. Jacoby and his administrators, thence by same south twenty-eight degrees and five minutes east, one hundred and twenty-eight and one-tenth feet thence westwardly parallel with Ninth Street three hundred seven and one-fourth feet to Iron Street aforesaid, thence by same north twenty-four degrees and twenty minutes west one hundred and twenty-eight feet to the place of beginning, whereon are erected a two-story Brick Building used for manufacturing purposes, and outbuildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of F. J. Richard, Trustee, vs. The Bloomsburg Manufacturing Company and F. W. Jones, vs. The Bloomsburg Manufacturing Company and to be sold as the property of The Bloomsburg Manufacturing Company.

J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

WALLER, HERRING, Attys. Dec. 9, '97 3t

## EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

*Estate of John Zaner, late of Fishingcreek township, deceased.*

*Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of John Zaner, late of Fishingcreek township, Columbia county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to Lloyd Zaner and William Chrisman, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.*

*LLOYD ZANER, WILLIAM CHRISMAN, Executors.*

12-23-6t.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

*Estate of Wm. Rohrbach, late of Franklin Twp., deceased.*

*Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Wm. Rohrbach, late of Franklin township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to*

*L. D. ROHRBACH, Admr.*

*Snyder, Atty.*

11-25-6t*.

## ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election by the stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, January 11th, 1898, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon.

A. H. BLOOM, Cashier.

12-9-4t.

## ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election of the stockholders of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 11, 1898, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon.

JOHN G. FREEZE, Secretary.

12.17-97.

## ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Briarcreek Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co., of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at Centre Grange Hall, No. 56 P. of H., on Monday, January 10th, 1898, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., for the election of twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

H. H. BROWN, Secretary.

12-23-3t*

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Sales.

JAN. 22. The administrator of William Rohrbach deceased will sell personal property and real estate of the decedent, in Franklin township. Personalty at 10 a. m., real estate at 1:30 p. m.

**Lippincott's Magazine for January, 1898.**

The complete novel in the January issue of *Lippincott's* is "John Olmstead's Nephew," by Henry Willard French. A hurried marriage is necessary to secure some solid interests and defeat an enemy, and thereon hangs a romance.

"Christmas Gold," a tale of Australia, by Owen Hall, and "Christmas Eve at Bilger's," which was in a western mining camp, by Frank H. Sweet, celebrate the season. Why should Christmas stories appear a month ahead of Christmas? These are just in time.

Philip G. Hubert, Jr., tells at some length, but in a lively way, of "A Detective who Detected." He was a newspaper man; it was a literary crime that he was set to detect, and while on the trail of it he found something else.

"Canuck and Raoul" were a Canadian boy and a horse, between whom a strong affection existed. Elizabeth Knowlton Carter is the narrator.

Calvin Dill Wilson writes pleasantly of a subject which he knows by heart, "The Eastern Shore of Maryland." "Irrigation from Under Ground," by John E. Bennett, takes the reader to the other end of the United States, and gives much unfamiliar information about the arid regions, and how they may be made habitable and fertile.

Among "Some Botanic Gardens," George Ethelbert Walsh finds those of London and Paris most important, but gives brief mention to others in various parts of the world.

George Archie Stockwell seems to prove that the belief in "Wolf-Children," from Romulus and Remus on, is something more than a superstition. Oscar Herzberg finds a good deal to say about "Druggists, Ancient and Modern."

Under the heading, "To day in the Bible," William Cecil Elam collects many familiar expressions, strokes of humor, observations and reflections on life and human nature, sharply pointed sayings, and what not, which people often use without knowing their origin.

The old chronicler, "Froissart," is affectionately handled by Emily Stone Whiteley.


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**Program of Farmers Institute to be Held in the Court House at Bloomsburg.**

MONDAY MORNING JAN. 10, 1898.

Session opens 10 o'clock, closes 12 o'clock.

1 Organization.
2 Music.
3 Prayer by Rev. G. H. Hemingway D. D.
4 Address of Welcome by W. R. Kocher, Mayor of Town of Bloomsburg.
5 Response by Col. John A. Woodward, Centre County, Pa.
6 Music.
7 Choosing a vocation, by E. H. Little, Esq., Light Street, Pa.
8 Education of the Adult Farmer, Prof. William Frear, State College, Pa.
9 Question Box.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Session opens 1:30 closes 4:30 o'clock

1 Music.
2 Why I am a Farmer, by J. H. Peachey, Belleville, Pa.
3 The Farmer's Best Crop, by Prof. C. H. Albert, State Normal School, Bloomsburg.
4 Music.
5 Care of Farm Manure by G. Y. Mourey, Grovania.
6 Fruit Trees for the Farmer's Garden, by Hon. W. T. Creasy, Catawissa.
7 The Choice of Feeding Stuffs, by Dr. H. P. Armsby, State College Pa.
8 Question Box.

TUESDAY MORNING. JAN. 11.

Session opens 9:30 closes 12 o'clock.

1 Music.
2 Peach Growing for Markets, by Philip Harris, Lime Ridge.
3 Pear Culture, by F. F. Merceron, Catawissa.
4 Music.
5 Cost of a pound of butter, by Dr. H. P. Armsby.
6 A talk on Dairying, by Col. John A. Woodward.
7 Question Box.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Session opens 1:30 closes 4:30 o'clock.

1 Music.
2 Relation of Town to Country, by Fred Ikeler Esq., Bloomsburg, Pa.
3 Mistakes, by J. H. Peachey.
4 Hogs for Profit, by C. F. Girton, Buckhorn.
5 Music.
6 Soil Cultivation, by Prof. Wm. Frear.
7 Underdraining, by A. Z. Schoch, Bloomsburg.
8 Summary by Col. John A. Woodward.

ASK QUESTIONS.

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A notable feature, "The Inner Experiences of a Cabinet Member's Wife," a series of letters from the wife of a Cabinet member to his sister, will, it is said, reveal some startling and graphic pen-pictures of Washington social and official life. They are so realistic that the letters will be published anonymously and are likely to attract National attention. The biographies of President McKinley, Mrs. Cleveland, Mark Twain, Thomas A. Edison, and Joseph Jefferson will be presented in a novel way by a series of anecdotes, giving the vital characteristics of each. Rev. John Watson, D. D. ("Ian Maclaren"), will contribute a series of articles on matters close to the interest of every man and woman; Edward W. Bok will have a special page for young men, in addition to his usual editorial discussions; Lilian Bell will continue her bright, crisp letters from European capitals; Mrs. Burton Harrison will describe society at the beginning of the century, and ex-President Harrison is to write on "The Flag in the Home."

Two fiction issues, in all over thirty short stories, are promised during the year. The stories will be by Mark Twain, F. Marion Crawford, Hamlin Garland, Mary E. Wilkins, Julia Magruder, Clara Morris, Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney and other well-known authors.

The musical announcements for next year include Sousa's newest composition, "The Lady of the White House," dedicated by special permission to Mrs. McKinley; sacred songs and hymns by Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn-writer; Ira D. Sankey, and others quite as prominent in their respective fields.

"Inside of a Hundred Homes" will be continued and supplemented by other articles upon fitting, furnishing and beautifying the home; and in addition to the *Journal's* "Moderate-Cost Houses," churches, schools, farm buildings, etc., will be given—with detailed plans and specifications.

Mrs. S. T. Rorer, it is announced, will continue to write exclusively for the *Journal*. In addition to her "Cooking Lessons" she will write of foods, their value and their healthfulness. Special articles for children—young and middle grown—on needlework, fashions, home entertainments, church work, etc., are all promised. This is but a passing glance at the 1898 *Ladies' Home Journal*, which is aimed to meet the literary and practical needs of every member of the household. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. Ten cents per copy; one dollar per year.


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**COURT PROCEEDINGS.**

Rebecca Martin vs. George Hughes, judgment for want of a plea for the sum of $19.85.

James Reighard vs. John V. Whitenight. Judgment for want of plea for $21.24.

Magee Carpet Works, Exceptions to auditor's report. January 3, 1898, is the date fixed for argument.

Return of sale of the real estate sold by W. S. Lawrence, guardian of Martha E. Evans, confirmed nisi.

Delilah Sterner vs. town of Bloomsburg. Damages. Judgment for plaintiff for $1100 and costs.

Mildred Mears vs. town of Bloomsburg. Judgment for plaintiff for $400 and costs.

Road in Catawissa and Main townships from river bridge to Mainville. Exceptions. Case to be heard Monday, January 3, 1898, at nine o'clock.

Order of sale granted of real estate of Clinton W. Lewis, deceased.

Alexander Campbell Jackson, son of C. B. Jackson, Esq., of Berwick, was admitted as a member of the Columbia County Bar.

Samuel Neyhard, Amos Wanich and Jos. Birch are appointed viewers for public road in Hemlock township near I. McC. Whitenight's.

James L. Evans appointed commissioner in re lunacy of Warren Fenstermacher.

Petition of B. A. Gidding, Guardian, to mortgage real estate. Petition granted.

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